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Editor

Government cannot be by the TUC and the increases in wages and during the next pay all not exceed 10 per Cabinet will be obliged to a statutory incomes ensure compliance. As d sinks and unemploy- es, Mr Wilson and his inisters are back to l taking the risk of party and trade union the economic crisis.

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and again since 1970 Mr and all his senior minis- e forsworn reversion to ary incomes policy. They ed themselves to that n their manifestos of d held it against Mr and the Conservative ent that they resorted d incomes policy. It is a of history that the Castle attempts in 1966 legislate for pay curbs the Labour Party into n, and that it took two or Labour leaders to a peace with the TUC.

The main points of Mr Healey's statement (Parliament, page 8), the reaction to it, and associated developments, were:

Wage rises will be limited to 10 per cent by the next pay round—if not voluntarily, then statutorily

The same limit will apply to dividends

The Cabinet will decide whether the limit on pay rises should be a flat-rate figure or a percentage of existing incomes

Cash limits will be fixed on wage bills in the public sector, and action will be taken through the Price Code to encourage compliance by private employers

A White Paper setting out the proposed measures will be published next week

The pound recovered strongly on the foreign exchanges after the Chancellor's statement (page 19)

Shares rose strongly in the City. The Financial Times index rose 23.7 to 315.5, its biggest daily gain (pages 22 to 25)

Mr Jack Jones said rises for the lower-paid would have to be higher than the Chancellor's target. *His union, the Transport and* General Workers', overwhelmingly endorsed *the social contract* (page 2)

The Government has dropped the Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries Bill until the next parliamentary session (page 19)

Now the same strains are being risked, *with the possibility of* Cabinet resignations and some trade union hostility.

Within the Cabinet, Mr Foot's attitude in the coming weeks, as Secretary of State for Employment, will be crucial. His personal relations with the Chancellor have been good for some time, but he has been heavily committed to the voluntary principle of the social contract. Nobody, not even his Cabinet colleagues, may be sure how he would react to any form of statutory sanctions against free collective bargaining. For the present, Mr Foot can still use his influence and skill to ensure a voluntary policy. But Mr Healey yesterday certainly put him under pressure to make up his mind how far he is prepared to travel with him.

Like a large proportion of the Labour Party and the trade unions, Mr Foot is heavily committed to the words in the Labour manifesto of October, 1974:

"At the heart of this manifesto and our programme to save the nation lies the social contract between *the Labour Government* and the trade unions, an idea derided by our enemies but certain to become widely accepted by those who genuinely believe in government by consent—that is, in the democratic process itself as *opposed to the authoritarian and* bureaucratic system of wage control imposed by the Heath Government and removed by Labour.

Yesterday, the Chancellor was saying that he and the Government could not necessarily rely on the trade union interpretation of the social contract to bring down the rate of domestic inflation to 10 per cent by autumn, 1976, and to single figures by the end of that year. He did not foreclose the continuing efforts at voluntarism. He gave a warning that the Government would not be taken in by an unsatisfactory social contract, Mark II, as they were by social contract, Mark I.

Mr Healey said that the 10 per cent limit was also being set for dividends: and more than once he emphasized the point that it remains to be settled by the Cabinet whether the 10 per cent *increase for* wages and salaries should be expressed as a percentage on existing incomes or as a monetary figure. He left no doubt that he preferred a flat-rate monetary figure, as propounded by Mr Jack Jones, of the Transport *and General Workers'* Union; and, subject to the settlement of the argument within the Cabinet, the decision is *likely to be clearly outlined in* a White Paper to be published *next week, as a preliminary to* a Commons debate.

Discussing the reduction in living standards he was calling for, Mr Healey said that the 10 per cent limit on incomes *increases during the coming* year would have a different *effect and spread according to* whether "it was achieved by a *percentage increase all round* or by a flat-rate cash increase". A *flat-rate increase, corrected* for tax and other deductions, *would benefit lower-paid* workers, and percentage in*creases would spread the bur*den equally, so that workers *on average earnings would stay* roughly the same.

Mr Healey said: "*the Government* will use a battery of weapons" to cut the domestic rate of inflation to 10 per cent within a year and then to single figures. By that form of words he kept open the possibility of *resort to the value-added tax re*gulator, public expenditure cuts, *currency restrictions*, and perhaps even import controls, but *the methods* he immediately outlined created no surprise at Westminster. They were canvassed, under guidance, in *The Times* and other newspapers a week ago.

The governmental sanctions to reinforce the agreement, voluntary or otherwise, will bear directly on employers in both the public and private sector. To quote the Chancellor:

We propose to fix cash limits for wage bills in the public sector so that all concerned may understand that the Government is not *prepared to foot the bill for ex*cessive settlements through *subsidies or* borrowing, or by loading excess costs on the public through increases in prices and charges. We will take action through the Price Code to encourage *compliance by private* employers. "I propose to employ *the system* of cash limits more generally as a means of controlling public expenditure in the short term.

Claiming that the Government had already reached an advanced stage in preparing measures which were fair and just, Mr Healey said that the measures would ensure that all sections of the community shared the burden fairly: "They will set out how the 10 per cent limit for settlements should be expressed, for example, as a percentage or flat-rate, or some mixture of the two."

The White Paper next week will describe how the Government can satisfy the public that the limits are being

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Mr Peter Bottomley, Conservative victor at Woolwich, West, arriving at the Commons yesterday with his family to take his seat.

Six in ten overseas doctors fail tests

By Neville Hodgkinson

Sixty per cent of the overseas doctors who took the General Medical Council's first language and medical competence tests last week have failed the examination, the council announced yesterday.

Of 68 candidates who took the two-day tests, held in Edinburgh, 27 passed, and will now be able to apply for a period of attachment to a hospital consultant. That usually lasts for about a month, and if completed successfully allows the candidate to take a post as a junior doctor at a hospital.

Those who failed will be able to take the test again, after periods of time varying according to how badly they performed.

The tests were introduced because of the National Health Service's heavy reliance on immigrant doctors, and fears that the attachment scheme alone was inadequate in safeguarding standards.

Dr Akram Saveed, chairman of the Overseas Doctors' Association, said yesterday that some candidates had not known what to expect, and were confused by the form in which some questions were presented.

He said later that his members would approach the Department of Health to ask for short courses to bring the doctors "up to scratch".

A GMC spokesman said that *candidates were told in* advance what level of performance *would be required.* Comprehensive verbal instructions *were given before the* tests began, and there were *also written instructions.*

But he said it would be unfair to comment or to draw wider conclusions about the level of performance *in the tests in* view of the fact that it was the *first sitting, with a very small* number of candidates.

The council, through its temporary registration assessment board, is to hold the tests every month. It has planned to examine at least 2,300 doctors a year. The figure is based on past experience of numbers applying for temporary registration.

Fewer doctors may present themselves, however, if the high failure rate continues and deters foreign medical graduates from undertaking the expense of coming to Britain.

Dr Derek Stevenson, secretary of the British Medical Association, said last night that the health service had *depended for many years on* overseas doctors to meet day-to-day *needs, instead of train*ing them, which was what most *of them wanted.*

If the 40 per cent pass rate was an indication for the future, the outlook was bleak, particularly at a time when the emigration of British medical graduates was causing concern.

"The whole problem of manning our health services needs careful reappraisal. There is only one solution: the NHS must be given a larger slice of the national cake, and medicine in this country made sufficiently attractive for doctors to remain here, and be allowed full professional independence to practise their profession as they would wish."

Callaghan-Amin talks on after Hills reprieve

By David Spanier
Diplomatic Correspondent

Mr Callaghan, the Foreign Secretary, expects to fly to Kampala for talks with General Amin next week, as the reprieve of Mr Dennis Hills was announced yesterday.

The announcement was greeted with relief by all concerned, but confirmation was awaited in London last night of *the exact terms of the decision.* In a broadcast from Zaire, President Amin, speaking in English, used the word "clemency".

This would seem to mean that although the sentence of death has been lifted, Mr Hills may not have been granted a complete pardon, as had been *hoped.*

Mr Dougal Reid, the British Chargé d'Affaires in Kinshasa, met President Amin and President Mobutu of Zaire last night and confirmed that the word "clemency" was used.

Mr Callaghan's position throughout the affair has been that he is ready to meet President Amin as soon as the latter shows humanity to Mr Hills. Accordingly, preparations were set in hand, immediately the news of the reprieve was received, for Mr Callaghan to take up President Amin's invitation to discuss Anglo-Ugandan relations as a whole.

The Zaire News Agency said President Amin would grant clemency to two other, unnamed, Britons held in Uganda on spying charges.

Mr Callaghan's timetable is already very crowded. He is to visit Rome tomorrow and Friday for talks with Signor Rumor, the Italian Foreign Minister, has an official visit to Poland in the middle of the month and is to attend the heads of government meeting of the European Community in Brussels on July 16-17.

It is obvious that President Amin's various demands can only be discussed between him and Mr Callaghan. One of these demands was repeated in his broadcast, that "malicious and unfounded propaganda" against him should cease.

This was the first of President Amin's original conditions *which he demanded* the British Government should accept. The others were: to expel all Ugandan exiles who were spreading unfounded rumours against Uganda; to stop trying to dissuade other countries from granting aid to Uganda; to stop making wild, baseless reports that Uganda was in a state of chaos; to sell Uganda all the spare parts required for military equipment bought from Britain; and for the British Prime Minister of the Queen to give written confirmation that these conditions had been fulfilled.

Mr Callaghan has already said that supply of spare parts *can be arranged, but that it is* quite out of the question to

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amen's leaders reject 37.3% rbitration pay rise award

Our Labour Staff

*Mr Healey's hopes of mod*ting wage claims by volun- y agreement received a ious setback yesterday when e National Union of Seamen jected a 37.3 per cent pay fer over 12 months.

The Chancellor had hardly nished his statement when the ion's executive told the Gen- al Council of British Shipping, presenting the employers, at the award made by the Industry, Conciliation and Arbi- tion Service was unacceptable.

The arbitration award, which cludes 29.2 per cent "new ney" was rejected by 10 tes to eight by the union's ecutive. The 40,000 members e to be balloted on whether y wish to accept the offer to take industrial action over original claim.

A union official said the ecutive's decision had been ived at before Mr Healey's nmons statement was known them. He added: "The decision went the way it did because it was felt there is not enough money in the award to justify acceptance at this stage."

Had the ACAS award been accepted, the overseas earnings of foreign-going seamen, including overtime and leave pay, would have risen from £59.25 a week, with threshold payments, to £71.44 from today and to £77.68 from January. The original demand, the employers calculate, would have meant average payments of more than £105 a week.

A joint statement from the employers and the union said that the award conceded two of the four points in the seamen's claim. Their overtime and cost-of-living *payment* claims were not included.

If accepted, the award would have meant that the 40-hour *week would have been* calculated over five days instead of seven and that a seaman with full efficient service pay would have had £40 per week.

Basic pay for the seaman would have increased from £25.44 a week to £32, including consolidation of threshold payments from today and to £34 from next January. Other ratings would receive *pro rata* rises.

The able-bodied seaman's certificate pay would have increased from 24p *per week to* £1 and full efficient service pay from £1.571 *to* £2.50 *from to* day to £5 in January.

The employers, who were surprised by the amount of the award, made it clear that they felt a moral obligation to abide by the arbitration decision. They had argued it was impossible to meet the union's original demand, particularly in view of the world recession *in shipping.*

The dispute had been referred to ACAS after the union had turned down a 30 per cent offer and held out for terms which, the employers said, would amount to increases of more than 80 per cent.

Union chiefs will seek talks urgently

By Our Labour Editor

Trade union leaders responsible for the revitalization of the social contract reacted to Mr Healey's statement last night with studied caution, and gave notice that they would seek urgent talks with the Government on the prospective 10 per cent pay rise limit.

After his union's policy-making conference had overwhelmingly endorsed backing for the TUC deal with the Government and the principle of flat-rate increases in the next wage round, Mr Jack Jones, leader of the Transport and General Workers' Union, said in Blackpool that rises for the lower paid would have to be higher than the Chancellor's *target, and those with substan*tial incomes should accept a freeze or cuts in pay.

Mr Len Murray, the general secretary of the TUC, said that despite misgivings felt by many trade unionists, the search for a voluntary pay policy involving *tighter wage restraint guide*lines would be continued with *the CBI.*

Despite the initial, muted, reaction from senior members of the TUC General Council it is likely that Mr Healey's announcement will cause a political rift when miners' leaders meet in Scarborough in two days to decide whether they should back a Yorkshire area claim for pay rises of up to 65 per cent at their conference next week.

It is clear that the Chancellor's statement, which followed hard on the heels of a lengthy pay debate at the Transport and General Workers' biennial conference, took the unions by surprise. The main points of Mr Healey's remarks in the Commons were hurriedly duplicated for *circulation among* TGWU officials, and Mr Jones was quick to insist that the union did not necessarily accept the Treasury's estimate of future wage developments.

Modern art sales fail at Christie's

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent

Christie's failed yesterday to sell half the paintings in its main summer auction of impressionist and modern works, which brought a knockdown total of £836,703.

As sales of modern pictures have been going fairly badly for the past year, it would presumably have been able to induce its vendors not to stick out for unrealistically high prices; the high unsold proportion indicates, therefore, that prices are really coming down in that field.

The poor result derived in part from the moderate quality of the paintings for sale. There were no great works. All the schools represented—impressionist, forerunners, impressionist, School of Paris, surrealist, German expressionist, postwar European and American—had trouble finding buyers.

A Degas "Scène de Ballet" in pastel over monotype sold to David Tunik, the New York print dealer, at £94,500, compared with a presale estimate of £60,000 to £75,000. Renoir's "Fête de Pan", a sugar-sweet scene of girls in a flowering meadow, went to the Arthur Murray School of Dancing for £63,000 (estimate £70,000-£90,000).

In the twentieth century part of the sale there seemed no rhyme or reason to prices. One group of Vasarelys failed to find buyers, but another went above estimate; the two better Max Ernsts failed to sell, yet the lesser ones got away.

A cabinet of ice creams by Claes Oldenburg was unsold at £9,450, although the investment group, Modarco, paid £1,260 for a pair of massive plastic lips smoking a plastic cigarette by Tom Wesselman (estimate £1,000-£1,500).

Only Italian dealers seemed determined to keep their artists afloat. Nearly all the Italian paintings sold, from Morandi to Fontana,

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Mrs Gandhi seeks to please poor

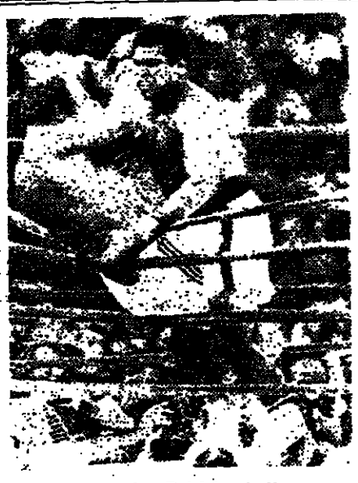
Mrs Gandhi announced a number of populist measures yesterday designed to give some relief to India's urban and rural poor. But she confounded Communist hopes that she would introduce a more radical economic policy in the wake of last week's emergency measures. The measures, which are intended to enhance her image in a country still dazed by the swift political changes, include a drive against tax evaders and smugglers and the establishment of a ceiling on the ownership of urban property. She also promised to redistribute surplus land and to confer ownership rights on landless peasants Page 6

Thatcher pledge

Mrs Thatcher pledged herself and the Conservative Party to the principles of the market economy and free enterprise, and acclaimed the work on them of Sir Keith Joseph, the party's policy maker in chief. She was presenting Sir Keith with the Free Enterprise Award at the Free Enterprise Day luncheon in London Page 5

Parents' lobby

Thousands of parents and children will lobby MPs today, the first anniversary of the Finer Report on One Parent Families, seeking implementation of its proposals, including that for a one-parent family allowance. The parents will tell their MPs that no significant action has resulted from the report and their poverty is growing Page 4



Joe Bugner, the British challenger to Muhammad Ali's world heavyweight title, is forced on to the ropes during the contest in Kuala Lumpur that never lived up to expectations. By a unanimous decision, Ali won on points Page 11

Peace hopes rise in Lebanon

Peace hopes rose in Lebanon as the new six-man Rescue Government announced that a ceasefire had been agreed in Beirut between the military leaders and the Palestine guerrilla leaders. Mr Rashid Karami, the new Prime Minister, said the Cabinet's main task was to restore confidence between the Lebanese and the guerrillas. As he spoke the toll of the eight days' fighting rose to 254 dead and more than 980 wounded Page 6

Connors through at Wimbledon

Two Americans, Jimmy Connors, the holder, and Roscoe Tanner, qualified to meet in the semi-final round at Wimbledon. Connors beat Raul Ramirez of Mexico, in straight sets but Tanner was taken to five by Guillermo Vilas, of Argentina. Tony Roche, of Australia, also qualified with a win over Tom Okker, of The Netherlands. He meets Arthur Ashe who beat Bjorn Borg Page 10

Co-op backs NUM

The London Co-op political committee has issued a statement supporting the recent decision of the Yorkshire area council of the National Union of Mineworkers to withdraw sponsorship from members of Parliament who oppose union policy decisions. The Yorkshire decision has been referred to the Committee of Privileges Page 4

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Lisbon hunt for 60

Recriminations broke out in Portugal over the prison escape of 89 former secret police agents, 60 of whom were still free last night. The Communists blamed the Justice Ministry while the press said the prisoners had received inside and outside help Page 6

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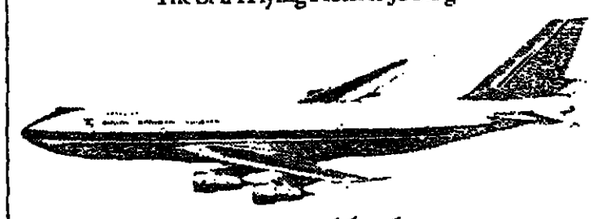
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Shadow Cabinet reserves decision until final package emerges

By George Clark
Political Correspondent

When the Shadow Cabinet met under the chairmanship of Mrs Thatcher at the Commons last night to consider the Chancellor's statement, they stopped short of a decision to support compulsion if the Government fails to get a voluntary pay agreement. The Shadow Cabinet will wait to see the final "package" and its details before making a judgment on parliamentary tactics.

There was a feeling of relief that the Government had, at long last, accepted the advice that Mrs Thatcher and Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, the Shadow chancellor, had been giving over the past few weeks. There had never been any doubt that the Conservative Party would support comprehensive and speedy action in the national interest to bring inflation under control.

Nevertheless, there were doubts about the Government's ability to produce a credible package at the end of the urgent negotiations. It was pointed out that there were important omissions from Mr Healey's statement. No action, apparently, was proposed to cut public spending. Although there was a decision to postpone the legislation to nationalize the aircraft and shipbuilding industries until the next session of Parliament, there was no indication that other doctrinaire measures which are seen as a threat to free enterprise are being dropped.

There was some concern, apparently, about the effect on the prospects of companies surviving in difficult conditions as a result of the price controls which the Government proposes. Some members of the Shadow Cabinet thought that the programme, as outlined, would hit employers more seriously than employees. They pointed out that there is apparently no plan to deal with unions who succeed in forcing employers to pay wage settlements above the norm. Yet, through the application of a strict prices squeeze, the Government could force a firm into bankruptcy.

The Opposition will demand that the crucial issue of controlling wages should not be "fudged". It was felt that a revised social contract which was inadequate or failed to get complete acceptance by the unions would bring repercussions that would be extremely damaging to the economy. There were doubts, too, whether the Government would stand up in defence of the national interest and the authority of Parliament because Conservatives recalled only too vividly what had happened to Mrs Castle's programme outlined in the document, *In Place of Strife*.

The Shadow Cabinet will continue to emphasize that the present economic crisis is all the fault of the Government; the result, as they see it, of 16 months of extravagance, evasion and deception. It was also pointed out that the Conservative Party had always accepted, although it would like a voluntary wages policy, that in the last resort it could be necessary to have legal sanctions.

Plea for loyalty: The emergency statement on pay increases by Mr Healey, the Chancellor, yesterday overshadowed what was easily the most articulate debate on the social contract at a trade union conference this year (our Labour Staff writes).

Left-wing speakers at the biennial conference of the Transport and General Workers' Union in Blackpool presented a plausible case for rejecting it, but Mr Jack Jones, general secretary, swayed the vote with an emotional appeal for loyalty to the Labour Government.

Mr Jones said that the TUC's restrained comment on Mr Healey's statement reinforced the overwhelming vote by the 1,100 delegates to support the Labour movement's own wage restraint policy, on the understanding that the unions were opposed to any form of statutory wage control.

He was at pains to differentiate between the Chancellor's veiled threat of legal requirements on employers and the legal limitations imposed on pay by previous governments. He said the TUC's "Neddy" team would want to talk to ministers "well before the end of next week" when the Treasury White Paper is due to appear.

In his appeal to conference, he said that there was a time to advance, and also a time to stand still or even retreat a little. That time was now. The dangers were great indeed. The circumstances were parallel to the betrayal in 1931 when Labour leaders joined in a coalition government. It could happen again, and there were politicians lurking around whose names did not need to be spelt out who were ready to stick a dagger in the heart of the Labour Government.

Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC, said last night:

The severity of the financial pressures that have led to the Chancellor's emergency statement must be obvious to everybody. It is clear that the task of beating inflation is more urgent than ever. Despite misgivings that many of us are bound to have about this new development it would be quite wrong to abandon the urgent effort initiated by the TUC General Council to reach agreement about the best method of achieving an early and significant reduction in the inflation that is threatening living standards and jobs.

A system that is both voluntary and workable must be the target of the next few days and weeks. That is the TUC's commitment and the Government has reaffirmed this aim. The TUC will now be seeking urgent talks with the Government and will be looking for firm pledges of action on prices and employment.

The general council last week took a major step towards a new approach to the whole complex problem of pay prices and employment. The need for a close working arrangement still remains. There is no other way in which the respective and shared responsibilities of the TUC and the Government can be carried out. I believe that the flat rate principle for pay rises still remains the best way of winning the support of working people and thus ensuring the success of the whole anti-inflation campaign.

Mr Leif Mills, general secretary of the National Union of Bank Employees, said it would be "monstrous" if Mr Healey's statement affected the results of arbitration now being conducted on behalf of more than 20,000 of his members.

He recalled that the Government had said it would not interfere with free collective wage bargaining. "I hope that the Government statement will not influence these negotiations which are still at the end of the current round of pay talks."

Mr Frank Chapple, general secretary of the Electrical Electronic, and Telecommunication, Plumbing Trade Union said he was "personally not surprised by the announcement. With the situation as it is, the Government had to do something and although we may not like it, they have to govern".

Mr Hugh Scanlon, president of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, said: "This is not a voluntary policy. He is saying: 'Do what I want or I will compel you'."

Mr Clive Jenkins, general secretary of the Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs, said: "Every statutory policy has so far come unstuck, and if this one is made law, it will have as disastrous an effect as all those other attempts which the Prime Minister, the Chancellor, the Labour Party, and level-headed economists have condemned so often for their harmful effects.

Last night, Mr William McCall, general secretary of the Institution of Professional Civil Servants, said: "It is crucial that the country supports the Government in this crisis. The alternative is a disastrous recession with unemployment at an unparalleled level." He hoped the trade union movement would "respond constructively to the short-term crisis measures and to the work of reconstruction which is the next step".

Politicians in Ulster avoid crucial issues

From Christopher Walker, Belfast

The 78 elected members of Ulster's constitutional Convention will break for an extended seven-week summer recess tomorrow without once having formally discussed the two crucial issues that divide them, power-sharing and the Irish dimension.

In spite of impatience from some backbench members of the "loyalist" coalition, a decision was taken by the steering business committee yesterday to continue the present day to day debate on a non-contentious economic motion until the recess begins.

From that point of view, the early stages of the proceedings in the experimental body have gone very much along the lines originally hoped for by the Government. But beneath the superficial harmony and good humour, there has been no significant compromise movement on either of the two main power blocks.

In an attempt to try to find a way of avoiding the confrontation which still appears to be inevitable when sittings are resumed in August, the political leaders have now agreed to continue with their series of private inter-party discussions during the recess. One of the main points for consideration will be possible methods of balancing the minority's insistence on membership of any newly established Cabinet with the majority's election pledge to exclude them.

Originally it had been expected that by now the Convention would have established a range of committees to deal with major topics such as a Bill of Rights and power-sharing, but yesterday all the parties decided to shelve any such move.

Labour left wing displays unrest

By Michael Hatfield
Political Staff

A move to get an emergency meeting of the Parliamentary Labour Party today to discuss Mr Healey's statement was rejected last night.

The request came from Mr James Wellbeloved (Bexley, Erith and Crayford), a member of the liaison committee, the link between backbenchers and ministers. Mr Cledwyn Hughes, chairman of the Parliamentary Labour Party, rejected the request although it is expected there could be a special meeting of the PLP next week.

Meanwhile, Labour's left wing, looking for a focal point of their unrest, did not find it last night in Mr Wedgwood Benn, Secretary of State for Energy.

Mr Benn was carrying out a scheduled meeting with the Labour trade union group. He is understood to have told the group that the present economic situation was not analagous with 1966 or 1972 but with 1931. He said that although it was expected there would be a world trade upturn in the next seven months it might not affect Britain, so something had to be done.

A group of left-wing Tribune MPs last night signed a letter in which they stated that the "style of government is as objectionable as the content". The content of the Chancellor's statement was objectionable not merely because it embodied a statutory wages policy but because it left untouched the problems of investment, trade and employment, all of which affect the rate of inflation both in the short and the long run.

Government ready to impose pay freeze

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observed, and explain the action that will be taken to check the rate of price increases as the rate of pay inflation slows.

Mr Healey added that the paper will also deal "with the central problem of compliance, since it is no good having an agreed limit for pay increases unless we can be certain it will not be exceeded".

In particular, the Government must be able to satisfy those who settled early in the (pay) round that "they will not be left behind by later settlements at an excessive level".

It was one of those parliamentary occasions when a minister at the Treasury bench despatch box has more reason to worry about the supporters behind him than the Opposition across the gangway.

Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, the Shadow chancellor, welcomed the fact that the Government had begun to grapple with the economic crisis, and claimed to recognize Mr Healey's conversion to "many of the policies we have been urging", in particular cash limits as an effective control on public sector wage awards. But he showed anxiety about the effects of price controls in the private sector, and condemned the absence of the abandonment of nationalization proposals and of public expenditure cuts.

If Sir Geoffrey was grudging, Labour left-wingers were threatening. Mr Eric Heffer, the former Minister of State for Industry, saw the Chancellor's statement as a steady move towards a statutory incomes policy "which is quite contrary to the election pledges which we gave to the people of this country".

Mr Norman Atkinson, another leading member of the *Tribune* group, said that Mr Healey had announced compulsory wage control, with a severe cut in wages while unemployment rose. He gave a warning that it would be "unacceptable to both the TUC and the Labour Party conference".

Mrs Thatcher, Leader of the Opposition, heard out the Chancellor's statement, but did not rise to question him. Although the Conservative Party is split on the issue of a statutory incomes policy, it was taken for granted at Westminster last night that Mrs Thatcher and the Shadow Cabinet will not hesitate to support the Government if attempts at a voluntary policy fail and the Cabinet has to fight to get through a statutory incomes limits Bill.

Mr Enoch Powell, the guru of Conservative opponents of a statutory intervention in night:

It is heartbreaking to see the Opposition stopped from making any effective comment or criticism by the knowledge of their own past and their own somersaults. Consequently, they are unable to give a lead either to those behind them in the Commons or to the country.

As members of the Conservative finance committee, which met last night at the Commons, pointed out: dividends are already subject to a 12½ per cent limit.

On the Labour side, speculation turned on the attitude of the National Union of Mineworkers to a 10 per cent limit, especially if it were flat-rated. The NUM meets for its annual conference in Scarborough next week, and a pay demand of up to £100 a week for face workers is predicted.

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The Prince of Wales pausing during his tour of the Royal Agricultural Show at Stoneleigh, Warwickshire, yesterday. Report, page 4.

Two cleared of attack on busman who died

Two men accused of causing the death of a London busman walked free from the Central Criminal Court last night after a jury acquitted them of manslaughter and assault.

Mr Ronald Jones was fatally injured after an argument over a 2p bus fare for a dog last January. His death led to a 24-hour strike by London busmen and 2,000 attended his funeral.

John Dennis Williams, aged 21, plasterer's mate, of Durrington Tower, Wandsworth Road, Lambeth, and Anthony John David Morris, aged 21, a business manager of Tyneham Road, Battersea, were discharged.

The Crown alleged that as a result of the argument on a number 77 bus, Mr Jones was punched in the face. He fell back and hit his head hard on the pavement. He fractured his skull, which was thinner than that of a normal person and died within 24 hours.

Witnesses said they saw Mr Williams deliver the fatal punch. But in statements to the police Mr Williams and Mr Morris were said to have stated that Mr Morris struck the blow.

Mr Williams gave evidence and said the conductor had kicked Mr Morris down the stairs. Mr Williams remonstrated with the conductor and pushed him. As Mr Jones turned he slipped and hit his head on something which caused blood to trickle down his forehead.

After the conductor had gone to speak to his driver and was returning to the bus Mr Williams said he saw Mr Morris punch the conductor, who fell back and hit his head on the pavement.

Mr Morris did not give evidence. A statement he was alleged to have made to the police was read to the jury. This said:

It is not my normal practice to hit anybody but he (Mr Jones) kicked me once and I thought he was going to hit me again. I am sorry for what happened. I now realize the extra 2p was for the dog but he did not mention it.

In summing up Mr Justice Swanwick said the jury had to be sure beyond reasonable doubt who delivered the blow.

Protest over marina plan defeat

The defeat in the Commons of plans for a £10m marina at Eastbourne was described yesterday by the town's Chamber of Commerce as "political chicanery".

Left-wing MPs rejected the Eastbourne Harbour Bill, which would have approved the marina project, by 66 votes to 45.

Mr Derek Skinner (Labour MP for Bolsover) said that the marina, which it was proposed to build on land owned by the Duke of Devonshire, should not be allowed in the present economic situation.

Mr John Wood, chamber of commerce president, said: "This decision is a major blow .... I think the way it was done was the most deplorable piece of political chicanery."

The Duke said that the trustees to the Chatsworth Settlement which manages his Sussex

The MPs drew attention in a Commons motion yesterday to the "lack of support for unfettered private enterprise" because, they said, only 45 Opposition MPs cared enough about the project to attend to vote.

Three women appointed to inquiry on rape

By Our Legal Correspondent

Three of the five members of the committee set up by the Home Secretary to look into the law on rape are women. The chairman of the committee, Mrs Justice Heilbron, a High Court judge, was named last month.

The other members, announced yesterday, are Professor Trevor Gibbens, professor of forensic psychiatry at the London University Institute of Psychiatry and also a member of the Parole Board; Dr Mia Kellmer Pringle, director of the National Children's Bureau; Professor Brian Simpson, Dean of the Faculty of Law at Kent University; and Mrs Alison Wright, an economist and researcher.

The terms of reference of the committee are "to give urgent consideration to the law of rape in the light of recent public concern and to advise the Home Secretary whether any early changes in the law are desirable".

The wide terms would allow the advisory group to report on whether changes in the substantive law are needed, for instance on the question of whether genuine but unreasonable belief of a woman's consent should remain a defence to a charge of rape, and also on procedural matters, such as whether the alleged victim should be named and to what extent cross-examination about her previous sexual conduct should be allowed.

Another whisky price rise

Whisky prices are to go up again probably by about 10p a bottle, and gin may also cost more, according to an announcement yesterday by the Distillers Company of trade price increases. The company's brands include Haig, White Horse, Dewars and Gordons gin.

Gelignite found on moorland

The Army yesterday blew up, in a series of controlled explosions, a hundred sticks of gelignite found by a hiker on moorland near Wessenden Head, West Yorkshire.

The police said they were satisfied the gelignite had been there at least since the war.

National Trust celebrates eightieth year

By a Staff Reporter

The National Trust held a royal garden party yesterday to celebrate the 80 years since its foundation in 1895, in which time it has become the greatest conservation society and largest private landowner in Britain.

The trust has more potential sites for such an occasion than most people. It chose Montacute House, the towering Elizabethan house in Somerset started in Armada year by Thomas Phelips and finished by his son, Sir Edward Phelips, when he was Speaker of the House of Commons.

The celebratory sun shone on the stately gables and ranges of great windows, shimmered on the charming statues of the Nine Worthies in full Roman dress, and polished the perspiring heads of more than 2,000 members and benefactors of the National Trust, some of whom had come to tea from as far away as North America and South Africa.

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother arrived by helicopter from Buckingham Palace, and was taken on a tour of Montacute, the golden house built of the local Ham stone and with the largest complete long gallery in the country.

The gallery has recently been redecorated and hung with portraits of its contemporaries from the National Portrait Gallery; and the house has become one of the brightest jewels in the trust's treasury.

The royal visitor was greeted when she stepped on the state stage of the terrace by a blast from the local silver band of Stoke sub-Hamdon. Lord *Antrim*, chairman of the National Trust, introduced foresters, gardeners, land agents and other workers for the trust.

The Queen Mother cut a birthday cake, symbolizing the trust's 80 years work as a charity, independent of government, to preserve places of natural beauty and historic interest.

The garden party was symbolic of the trust's continuing function to preserve the beauties of the past for the benefit and recreation of the present.

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Two charged after police shooting

By a Staff Reporter

Two men were charged last night with attempted murder and a third was being sought after a police inspector was shot and wounded at Rusholme, Manchester, early yesterday morning.

The incident occurred at an Indian restaurant after the manager had refused to sell wine to three men. Some shots were fired, shattering crockery and slightly wounding the manager.

Inspector Emlyn Watkins, aged 47, went to the restaurant with other officers. He was shot twice in the stomach with a .38 pistol as he sat in a patrol car. He is recovering in hospital.

Two men, aged 19 and 21, were arrested soon afterwards. The man being sought is aged 25. All three have permanent addresses in Birmingham and were staying in lodgings in Manchester.

Liberals and crossbenchers will fight to keep dropped peers at Strasbourg

By George Clark
Political Correspondent

Cross-bench and Liberal peers were still complaining yesterday about the lack of courtesy shown by the Government about the dropping of Lord Gladwyn, the Liberal peer, and Lord O'Hagan, cross-bench peer, from the motion designating members of the House of Lords to attend the European Parliament.

When the motion is debated tomorrow it is likely, if the Government have not produced a compromise offer, that the cross-bench peers will move an amendment to add the name of Lord O'Hagan, and that the Liberals will try to include Lord Gladwyn.

The Liberals and cross-benchers will force a division if they are not given a satisfactory bargain by the Government. In fact, the Government have left the way open for an amendment, because although ministers have indicated that their proposal is to have 18 Labour delegates, 16 Conservatives, one Liberal and one Scottish Nationalist, no motion has yet appeared naming the Scot, who is likely to be Mrs Winifred Ewing, the MP for Moray and Nairn.

Last night, in the Commons, the Liberals, led by Mr Thorpe, demanded fair representation based on the votes cast for the party at the last general election. They said that that is the method used by other EEC countries in choosing delegations.

Meanwhile, on the Government side, Mr Michael Stewart, the leader of the Labour Party delegation, has asked for an investigation into the "leaks" from the private meeting of the group held on Monday.

It is claimed, apparently, that the leaks were in part inaccurate, and there is some annoyance about the impression being given that the group is lukewarm in its overtures to join the Socialist Group of the European Parliament.

In future it is proposed that Mr Stewart should give an on-the-record briefing about the activities of the group when it meets to settle policy.

Miss Betty Boothroyd, MP for West Bromwich, West, who is included in the delegation as a government whip, has told the MPs that there will be great disappointment in the European Socialist Group if the Labour delegation does not apply to join. The additional strength will make it the biggest political group in the European Parliament.

According to one member of the delegation, the standing orders of the Socialist Group have been circulated and he finds that there is a "conscience clause" which allows a member to speak and vote against a majority decision of the group.

Apparently some of the old controversies, strongly voiced during the referendum campaign, still linger between the pro-Europeans and the former anti-Marketeers.

One point at issue is whether the group should be answerable to the Parliamentary Labour Party, the party executive and the annual conference.

During question time in the Commons Mr Wilson denied the allegation made by Lord George-Brown last week that he had been excluded from the European Labour Party delegation "by the Prime Minister".

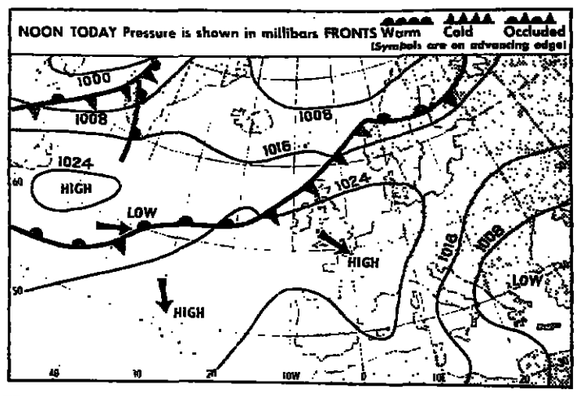
Ban on seal killing in the Wash claimed

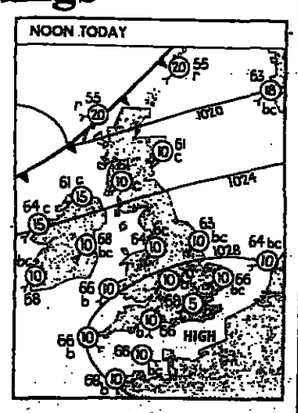
Mr Walter Scott, director of the Universities Federation for Animal Welfare, claimed last night that the Home Office had decided not to issue any licences to permit seal killing in the Wash this season.

Mr Scott said he was told that the Home Office had decided to cut out the killing and that the only application for a licence had been turned down.

There were usually about four applications for the three-week season, he said.

Weather forecast and recordings





Today

Sun rises: 4.48 am. Sun sets: 9.21 pm
Moon rises: 12.21 am. Moon sets: 2.23 pm
New Moon: July 9.

Lighting up: 9.51 pm to 4.19 am.

High water: London Bridge, 8.21 am, 6.2m (20.3ft); 8.31 pm, 5.9m (19.5ft). Avonmouth, 1.3 am, 10.5m (34.3ft); 1.30 pm, 10.2m (33.6ft). Dover, 5.36 am, 5.3m (17.4ft); 5.57 pm, 5.4m (17.8ft). Hull, 12.18 am, 5.8m (19.1ft); 12.19 pm, 6.1m (19.9ft). Liverpool, 5.35 am, 7.6m (25.0ft); 6.9 pm, 7.3m (23.9ft).

An anticyclone will move slowly SE over S England while a trough of low pressure crosses N Scotland.

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:

E, SE England, East Anglia: Dry, sunny periods, mist and fog patches early; wind light, variable; max temp 23°C (73°F).

London, central S, N England, Midlands: Dry, sunny periods, fog patches early; wind light, variable; max temp 24°C (75°F).

Channel Islands: Dry, sunny periods; wind light, variable; max temp 19°C (66°F).

Wales, SW England: Dry, sunny periods; wind light, variable; max temp 23°C (72°F).

NW, NE England, Lake District, Isle of Man: Dry, sunny periods, fog patches early; wind variable, becoming SW, light; max temp 23°C (72°F).

Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, SW Scotland, Glasgow, N Ireland: Dry, sunny periods, perhaps cloudy later; wind SW, light, becoming moderate; max temp 20°C (68°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Friday: Warm and sunny in England and Wales, perhaps thundery showers in W. Rather cloudy in Scotland and N Ireland with rain in places and near normal temp.

Sea passages: S North Sea: Wind N, moderate, becoming W, light; sea slight, becoming calm. Strait of Dover, English Channel (E), St George's Channel: Wind light, variable; sea calm.

Irish Sea: Wind W, light, becoming moderate locally, fresh later; sea calm, becoming slight, locally moderate.

Pollen count: The pollen count in London yesterday was 124, very high.

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

	C	F		C	F		C	F
Algiers	s	26	79	Chicago	s	31	88	L Palmas	s	24	75	Nice	s	27	81
Amsterdam	s	18	64	Cologne	s	17	63	Lisbon	s	25	77	Nicosia	s	35	95
Athens	s	30	86	Copenhgn	r	16	61	Locarno	s	22	72	Oslo	s	23	73
Barcelona	s	30	86	Dublin	s	20	68	London	s	23	73	Paris	s	25	77
Belfast	s	20	68	Edinburgh	s	20	68	Luxemborg	s	23	73	Reykjavik	c	13	55
Berlin	c	20	68	Florence	s	27	81	Madrid	s	34	93	Rome	s	29	84
Bermuda	s	29	84	Funchal	s	22	72	Majorca	s	27	81	Salzburg	r	24	75
Biarritz	s	23	73	Geneva	r	19	66	Malaga	s	28	82	Stockholm	s	23	73
Birmingham	r	21	70	Gibraltar	c	25	77	Malta	s	31	88	Tel Aviv	s	35	95
Bristol	r	20	68	Guernsey	s	19	66	Manchester	r	21	70	Toronto	s	27	81
Brussels	s	19	66	Helsinki	s	19	66	Miami	c	29	84	Tunis	s	32	90
Budapest	s	34	93	Hunstanton	r	18	64	Moscow	s	23	73	Venice	s	25	77
Cardiff	s	21	70	Istanbul	s	30	86	Munich	s	26	79	Vienna	s	28	82
				Jersey	s	22	72	Naples	s	33	91	Warsaw	c	18	64
												Zurich	r	17	63

Yesterday

London: Temp: max 7 am. to 7 pm, 23°C (73°F); min 7 pm to 7 am, 13°C (55°F). Humidity, 7 pm, 40 per cent. Rain, 24 hr to 7 pm, nil. Sun, 24 hr to 7 pm, 13.9 hr. Bar, mean sea level, 7 pm, 1028.4 millibars, falling.
1,000 millibars=29.53 in.

At the resorts

24 hours to 6 pm July 1

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max temp °C	°F	
E COAST					
Scarborgh	8.0	—	18	64	Sun ints
Bridlington	6.5	—	18	64	Sun ints
Clacton	14.6	—	19	66	Sunny
Margate	14.6	—	16	61	Sunny
S COAST					
Hastings	13.0	—	17	63	Sunny
Eastbourne	13.0	—	18	64	Sunny
Brighton	13.2	—	21	70	Sunny
Worthing	13.4	—	22	72	Sunny
Bognor R	13.8	—	22	72	Sunny
Southsea	12.4	—	22	72	Sunny
Sandown	13.1	—	21	70	Sunny
Bournemth	13.4	—	21	70	Sunny
Exmouth	14.5	—	23	73	Sunny
Torquay	15.3	—	23	73	Sunny
W COAST					
Morecambe	13.8	—	22	72	Sunny
Blackpool	13.9	—	23	73	Sunny
Ilfracombe	16.6	—	20	68	Sunny
Newquay	13.9	—	18	64	Sunny

Overseas selling prices
Austria, Sch 15; Belgium, BFr 25; Cyprus, Pias 400; Denmark, DKr 2.75; Finland, Fmk 2.80; France, Frs 2.80; Germany, DMk 2.00; Greece, Dr 25; Holland, Dfl 1.75; Italy, Lire 450; Luxembourg, LF 18; Madeira, Esc 17.50; Malta, 9c; Norway, Kr 4.00; Portugal, Esc 20; Spain, Pes 30; Sweden, Kr 3.75; Switzerland, sFr 2.50; USA/Canada, $1.00; Yugoslavia, Din 20.

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Safeguard for adoption societies in Bill

By Penny Symon
Political Staff

An Opposition amendment to the Children Bill designed to safeguard the interests of voluntary adoption societies and ensure their future partnership with local authorities, was accepted by the Government yesterday.

Clause 1 of the Bill requires local authorities to provide an adoption service in conjunction with their other social services, and the amendment adds the requirement that they should bring the approved voluntary adoption societies in their area within this framework. The object is to ensure that help can be given in a coordinated manner.

Mr Norman Fowler, Opposition spokesman on social services, who proposed the amendment, said its purpose was to reassure the voluntary societies. They had made an outstanding contribution to social services provisions and the future partnership between them and local authorities must be assured. They had been pioneers in adoption and had developed and promoted knowledge and skills. Their role was permanent, and continuing.

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Teachers refuse to let managers into school classrooms for inspection

By Tim Devlin
Education Correspondent

Teachers at William Tyndale junior school, Islington, London, are refusing to allow the managers of the school into the classrooms.

Three of the school's 14 managers so far have had their requests to see the children at work refused. They have been seen by Mr Terry Ellis, the headmaster, but they claim he has refused to discuss the children's work with them.

Mr Harvey Hinds, chairman of the Inner London Education Authority's schools subcommittee, is meeting the managers and staff of the school today in an effort to end the dispute, which has dragged on for more than a year.

Under the authority's articles of management, managers have the right to oversee the conduct of the school and the curriculum. The teachers' decision, passed last week, has wide implications on the power of school managers and governors.

Mr Brian Tennant, chairman of the school's managers, said: "The whole concept of the managerial system is under attack. The authority must decide the relationship of managers vis-à-vis the school. It is extremely short-sighted of teachers not to allow managers in on the education of the children. You cannot sweep things under the carpet."

Two of the managers, Mr Robin Mabey and Mrs Valerie Fairweather, were not allowed to see the children in the classrooms when they visited the school last Friday morning.

Mr Mabey said: "I had arranged to look into the classrooms, but the headmaster would not agree to that. He also declined to discuss the courses that the school would ofer children who come from the infants' school next term."

He said that parents of the children at the school were concerned at the declining numbers of pupils. The school roll has dropped from 250 in September 1973 to 148 last May. The number of children at neighbouring junior schools has grown.

The parents claim that that is because the William Tyndale children are being taught by left-wing teachers who feel that working-class children should not be taught in the traditional method.

Background notes on the school submitted to some sections of the press this week by the managers refer to lack of reading schemes, music and singing education, and to the fact that the school does not give priority to teaching handwriting because it believes the typewriter will make this skill superfluous. It also refers to lack of control of the children when outside the school.

Last month the North London Teachers' Association, a branch of the National Union of Teachers, passed a motion asking its members not to receive children from William Tyndale at any of the other primary schools in the locality.

Mr Frederick Smith, secretary of the branch, said that staff had complained of abuse by parents and managers.

He said that the staff at the school had passed a motion last Friday to "lock out" the managers during working hours. That was because the managers had called for the reorganization of the school. That was considered to be tantamount to a lack of confidence in the work of the school and the managers were only wanting to inspect the children's work to justify that belief.

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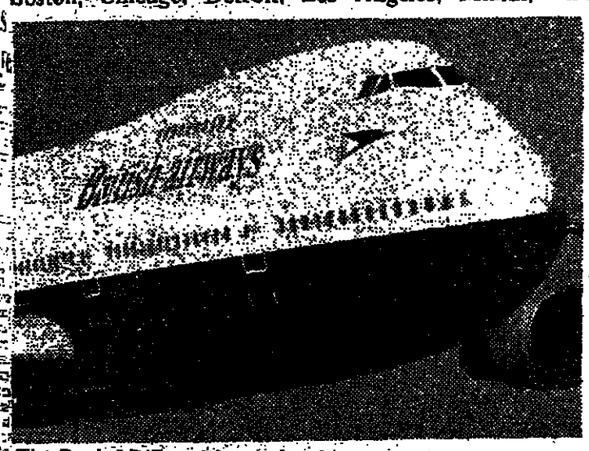
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All nine services will be by Boeing 747, with the exception of the London/Los Angeles route which is now operated by the new 243-seat DC10.

The only exception to the 'Jumbo a day' innovation in the United States is Anchorage, which is served by 747s on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. These flights leave Heathrow at the convenient time of 1355.

Timetable

A breakdown of departure times from London is:

New York — 747s daily at 1100 and 1300; VC10 daily at 1800;

Boston — 747 daily at 1200;

Chicago — 747 daily at 1400;

Detroit — 747 daily at 1130 (via Washington);

Los Angeles — DC10 daily at 1610;

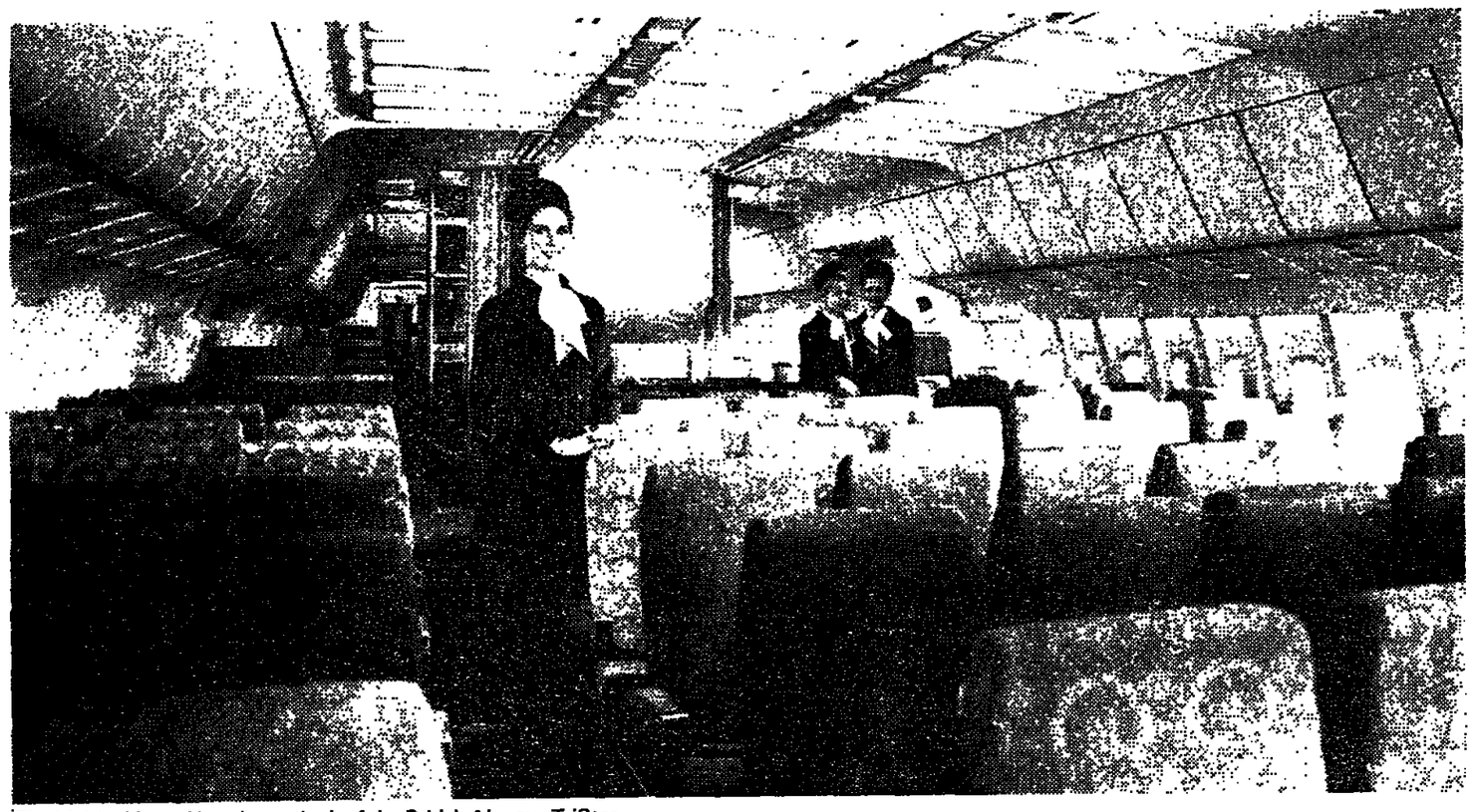
Miami — 747 daily at 1300;

Philadelphia — 747 daily at 1200 (via Boston);

Washington — 747 daily at 1130.

British Airways is also the only carrier to fly daily to New York from Manchester and Prestwick.

TriStar is off to Copenhagen



The high, wide and handsome look of the British Airways TriStar.

By Announce Reporter

TRISTAR has been introduced by British Airways this summer between London and Copenhagen as part of an all-round improvement on services to Scandinavia.

Another major improvement is the re-introduction of a second daily Trident service to Stockholm. Departures from Heathrow are at 0905 and 1605.

Other plus points for the business traveller will include first-class on all routes from London to Denmark, Sweden, Norway and Finland, convenient timings and a high standard of in-flight service.

The high, wide and handsome look of the TriStar, which can carry over 300 passengers, appeared on the London-Copenhagen route on April 1. The service leaves Heathrow each afternoon at 1535 with a return departure from Copenhagen at the convenient time of 1825. There is also a daily Trident to Copenhagen at 0925.

Good times for Switzerland and Austria

DEPARTURE times to suit the businessman — that's British Airways' objective on flights to Austria and Switzerland.

The first flights out of Heathrow each morning to Zurich (at 1000), Geneva (1005) and Vienna (1030) are timed to allow connections from major UK domestic services, yet are early enough to ensure convenient arrival times at the destination. The commerical importance of Geneva and Zurich is reflected in the minimum of three daily flights to both destinations, allowing for greater flexibility when planning business meetings.

For passengers on a budget there are also night economy flights which save up to 33 per cent of the normal day return fare.

The 1030 Trident flight to Vienna is operated on a daily non-stop basis and for clock watchers there's also a non-stop Basle flight at 1725 every day except Saturday.

Basle is not only at the heart of the Swiss clock and watch industry but is also conveniently close to Mulhouse in France and Freiburg and the Black Forest in Germany.

The wide route to Belfast

THE new wide-bodied TriStars are now flying twice daily to Belfast. For a small supplement, seats with extra room can be reserved in advance.

Easy way to East Africa

CONVENIENT timings to give the businessman flexibility are the feature of British Airways' services to East Africa.

British Airways is the only airline offering a daily direct Boeing 747 service to Nairobi.

On Mondays, Thursdays and Sundays flights leave Heathrow at 2000, arriving in Nairobi at 0815 the following day.

On the remaining four days the 'Jumbo jet' service leaves Heathrow an hour and 45 minutes later, but still arrives in the Kenyan capital at 0815.

British Airways also has five VC10 services a week, of which three (at weekends) are non-stop.

A British Airways spokesman explained: "Research has shown that over half of all businessmen travelling to East Africa plan their trip within four weeks of departure.

"What they obviously need is flexibility and this is what we aim to give them."

Thumbs up for Carl



SEVEN-year-old Carl Jenkins of Thorpe Willoughby, Yorks, makes himself at home on the flight deck of a Viscount with Captain Les Rackham, senior pilot at Leeds/Bradford Airport. Carl was invited to the airport after designing an 'aircraft guidance computer' and sending it to British Airways. He presented a copy of his drawing to Captain Rackham who gave Carl a logbook and badge of British Airways' Junior Jet Club.

Cardiff, Bristol go Parisian

BRITISH AIRWAYS have very convenient weekday services to Paris from Cardiff and Bristol.

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Lisbon Penta now open

ANOTHER hotel has joined the British Airways Associate Hotels group. It is the Lisbon Penta, which is situated just ten minutes from both the airport and the city centre and is ideal for businessmen and tourists alike.

Going to the Leipzig fair

BRITISH AIRWAYS will again offer special services between London and Leipzig, from August 30 to September 7, for the Autumn Trade Fair.

Japan gets Polar Jumbos

By Announce Reporter

THE DEMAND for more seats between London and Tokyo has been answered by British Airways by introducing wide-bodied Boeing 747s on the route. Just seven years ago the airline carried 284 passengers to Japan in 12 months.

Today demand has grown to such an extent that the airline now offers more than that number of seats on a single aircraft — and the aircraft flies three times a week.

Polar route 747s leave Heathrow on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 1355, which allows sufficient time for Tokyo-bound passengers from the North and Scotland to catch a connecting British Airways InterBritain flight to Heathrow from their local airport.

For Japanese travellers, there are Japanese staff at Terminals 1 and 3 and two Japanese stewardesses on board the aircraft. Certain Japanese dishes are available in flight. If you wish to break yourself in gently, you can order sake, which is served traditionally warm — in contrast to the temperature 30,000 below on both the Polar route or the fast, twice weekly Trans-Siberian 707 service.

Cartoon by Ross



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Pull out the stops to Canada

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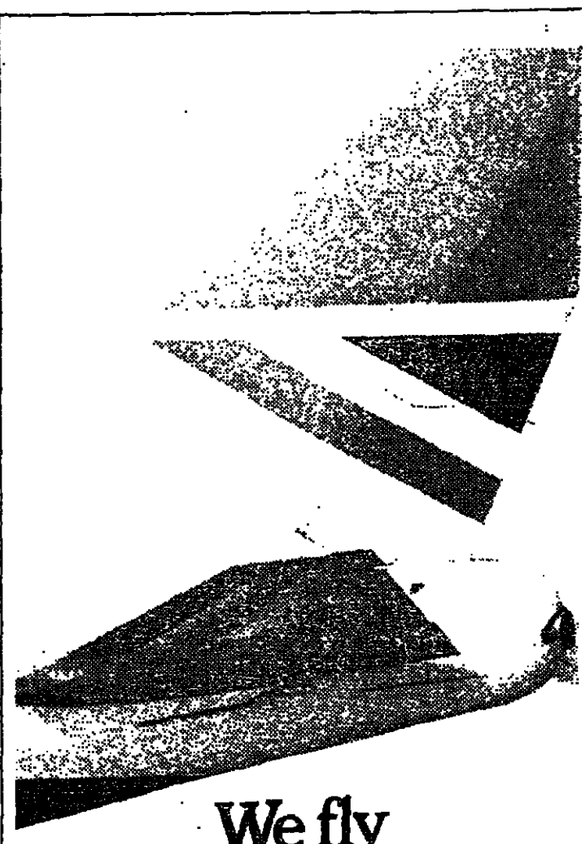
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HOME NEWS

London Co-op backs union's tight rein on sponsored MPs

By a Staff Reporter

The London Co-operative Society's political committee has issued a statement supporting and approving the recent decision of the Yorkshire area council of the National Union of Mineworkers not to sponsor MPs who oppose the union's main policy decisions.

The statement says the political committee takes exaxctly the same view as the Yorkshire council of the NUM, whose recent declaration that Labour MPs sponsored by the union will lose its sponsorship if they vote or speak against union policy has been raised in the Commons and referred to the Committee on Privileges.

The political committee states: "We have made it quite clear, and we do so to all nominees we interview for the Co-op parliamentary panel, that we expect them to support the major policies of our society. We cannot, of course, dictate to them. Nor can we be dictated to and no one nor anything would make us pay any of our members' money towards the expenses of MPs or candidates who were out of sympathy with our political views.

The statement says that a few years ago a Co-op sponsored MP in London who voted with the Conservative Government of the day on the EEC was told that he would no longer receive financial backing or support, and adds: "We faced much the same kind of hysterical abuse now directed at the Yorkshire miners." The MP did not seek reelection.

There are 14 Labour-Co-op MPs in the Commons, two representing seats in the London area. Mr Alfred Lomas, secretary of the political committee, was not available for comment last night.

Museum of the year is out of doors

By Philip Howard

The title of museum of the year, a first prize of £2,000, and the trophy of the Henry Moore porcelain sculpture "Moon Head" were awarded yesterday to the bright, new open-air museum at Singleton, near Chichester, Sussex.

The museum, started six years ago, illustrates tht development and use of materials in the Weald and Downland. It offers such historic vernacular exhibits as cottages, farmhouses, and charcoal burners' camps of the district. The award was given principally for the 1770 Hambrook Barn, wooden and thatched with reed, which was saved from demolition, reected on the museum site and converted to house an exhibition introducing the buildings on show.

The National Heritage award is given by the *Illustrated London News* to the museum considered, within the limits of its budget, to have shown most enterprise in making general improvements both within the museum and in public facilities.

Mr James Bishop, editor of the magazine, said: "The Weald and Downland Museum as a whole is a free-and-easy place, without rigid direction of the public, so that a visit is both rewarding and relaxing."

Presenting the prizes in exquisite Boston brahmin style, Mr Elliot Richardson, the United States Ambassador, said: "Museums help to tell us who we are; they give us insight into the origins of our society; they provide exemplars of our particular excellences." The Weald and Downland Museum, largely run by local and enthusiastic volunteers, captures and prestrves the spirit of old Sussex. It attracted 130,000 visitors last year, and is now financially viable.

The second prize of £1,000 was divided between the Green Howards Regimental Museum in a rtdundant church at Richmond, North Yorkshire; and the new Brecknock Museum, in the Old County Hall and Assize Court in Brecon, which attracted more visitors in its first six months than the old museum attracted in any year. A special award was made to HMS Belfast, the floating naval museum saved from the scrapyard and moored in the Pool of London.

The awards showed that whatevtr the state of the nation, its museums at least are healthy. Museum people from all over the country discussed their plans to make the past live.

Anniversary mass lobby of MPs today seeks implementation of Finer Report

Poverty of one-parent families growing with delay

By Pat Healy
Social Services Correspondent

The first anniversary of the publication of the Finer Report on One Parent Families will be marked today by a mass lobby of MPs. Thousands of parents demanding implementation of its recommendations, and children, will tell their MPs that no significant action has followed the report and their poverty is growing.

The main recommendations of the report were for a new one-parent family allowance and for a system of family courts to rationalize the various systems of law on breakdown of marriage. The first recommendation has been rejected by the Government, with promises that something may be done after 1977. The second has been accepted, but not acted on.

The report wanted a one-parent family allowance to remove the dependence of many families, particularly those headed by a woman, on supplementary benefit. The committee that drew up the report felt that supplementary benefit is totally inappropriate to the needs of one-parent families and proposed a new benefit that would provide enough income to allow mothers bringing up children on their own to have a choice between working or staying at home.

That choice is not available to many of the mothers because their earning potential is too low to take them much above the supplementary benefits level and while on benefit they are allowed to earn £2 a week only before benefit is reduced pound for pound. The earnings limit will be raised to £4 in November, but that is still too low to allow them to improve their position substantially.

The Finer report found that 238,000 one-parent mothers depended on supplementary benefit; the latest figures show that the number has grown to 250,000, caring for 951,000 children under 16. Small changes to the supplementary benefit regulations and income tax allowances have helped them marginally, but there is no sign of a new benefit being introduced for them.

Family allowances of £1.50 a week will be extended next April to the first child in one-parent familes under the Child Benefit Bill. But that will help only half of the fatherless families in Britain, because the rest depend on supplementary benefits from which family allowances are deducted. In addition, because the allowance is to be paid only to one-parent families it will involve a new cohabitation rule to ensure that a woman or man who is living with another person does not benefit.

Mrs Castle, Secretary of State for Social Services, has said there will be no separate one-parent family allowance until after the child benefit scheme has been given a chance to work. The scheme will be brought fully into operation in April, 1977, when family allowances will be replaced by child benefit payable for every child, whether in one-parent families or not. It is unlikely to take less than a year of the new scheme being fully operated before the question is reviewed; and one leading commentator is already suggesting that one-parent families are so politically unpopular that their cause would be better served by campaigns for better benefits for all families.

The lack of action on financial help for one-parent families has led to Mrs Castle facing increasingly hostile audiences when she has spoken on the subject. She has refused to see a delegation from Gingerbread, which is organizing today's demonstration and lobby, and has delegated Mr Michael Meacher, Under-Secretary of State, to meet the delegation.

The demonstrators will campaign for four basic measures recommended by the Finer report: a cash allowance, extended and improved day-care facilities, housing policies which recognize their special needs, and the system of family courts included in the Labour Party's manifesto for the October general election. Social workers, action groups and one-parent families are concerned about the lack of action on family courts, not only because of the continuing bitterness that accompanies many court proceedings at the moment.

They are also worried that the Government's Children Bill will make the plight of one-parent families worse by giving local authorities powers to assume parental rights over children in care. Because of their poverty and disadvantage in the housing market, one-parent families are more likely to have their children received into care temporarily than other families. The time limit proposed in the Bill might be too short to allow them time to resolve their financial and housing difficulties and have their children returned.

Gaul search loan not repaid, widow says

Mrs Elizabeth Crosby, who was allegedly deceived into lending £2,070 to a man who said he was leading an expedition to search for the Hull trawler Gaul, yesterday told Wakefield Crown Court how she and the press saw him off at Hull station.

The man, Leo Francis Sheridan, had a banner that said "Gaul Arctic Search Expedition". Mrs Crosby said that he told her he was going to Manchester to meet eight other members of the expedition and they would fly to Norway from Prestwick.

Mrs Crosby, a widow, of Wellesley Avenue, Hull, said that Mr Sheridan telephoned 11 days later to say he was back from Norway and had some "solid evidence" about the trawler.

He said he was going to testify at the public inquiry into the loss of the Gaul, but he never did.

Mr Derek Clarkson, QC, for the prosecution, has alleged that Mr Sheridan did not go to Norway but went to Ireland. The departurt at Hull was a charade and a hoax, he said. Mr Sheridan, aged 42, of Beverley Road, Hull, has denied obtaining £2,570 by deception, including £2,070 from Mrs Crosby.

Mrs Crosby said Mr Sheridan promised to repay all the money by October 5. When she asked for it, he said she would get it on the eighth. He had only to snap his fingers and the money would be there, but sht did not receive it

On October 24 she told him he was "playing her along" about the money and she intended doing something about it. He said she had not the courage.

When she threatened to go to the police, he said if she did she would never count a penny of her money. When she said she would go to the newspapers, he said they would laugh their heads off.

Mrs Crosby said she had been forced to sell her house and could not afford to buy another.

The trial continues today.

Churchmen's wage rise

The Methodist Conference in Liverpool yesterday agreed to raise stipends from September 1, giving salaries ranging from £1,860 for probationer ministers with up to 10 years' service to £2,010 for more than 30 years' service.

Ban on hoses

Using hosepipes and sprinklers will be illegal in Guernsey from Saturday because of a water shortage caused by lack of rain, the island's state-run water board announced yesterday.

Coach brakes faulty, examiner says

From Our Correspondent
Skipton

Braking defects on the coach which carried Teessiders on their fatal trip to the Yorkshire dales were outlined by a Department of the Environment examiner at Skipton yesterday.

The inquest on the 32 victims of last month's Dibbles Bridge coach crash heard from the vehicle examiner, Mr Freddy Beardsall, that the rear offside brake of the coach was completely inoperative.

Examination showed that neither the handbrake nor the footbrake would operate on the rear offside paid of wheels. A displaced roller in the brake expander unit was jammed, resulting in no movement of the brake shoes, he said.

There was no wear on the brake linings because they were not in contavt with the brake drum. A damaged oil seal had allowed oil on to the brake drum and linings, and that would have reduced efficiency had they been working.

The expander unit on the nearside rear wheel was working but was devoid of lubricant and was quite dry and corroded. There was indication, he said, that the front brakes were working but the clearance between the brake linings and drums was excessive.

Mr Robert Pearson, of Roseberry Road, Horton, Stockton, a part-time driver for the coach firm, Riley's, of Teesside, said he had been concerned about the brakes a week before the accident. But in accordance with the owner's wishes he rang for a replacement coach while on a trip to Redcar.

He had driven from Teesside to Blackpool in the crash coach the day before the crash and he had experienced no difficulty with the coach. He was satisfied that it was in good condition and well maintained.

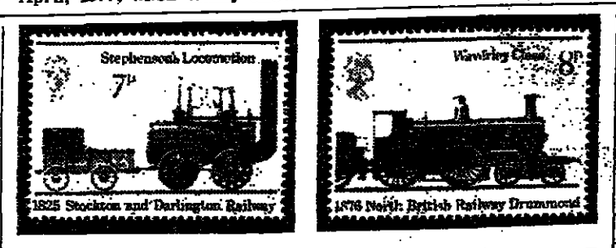
Mr Albert Casey, of Redbrooke Avenue, Roseworth, Stockton, a fulltime driver with the company, said he had been told by the owner: "If you are in doubt in any way, do not take chances, just give me a ring."

Steven Mark Griffin, aged 16, of Glencoe Street, Hull, said he saw the coach coming down the hill at a fast speed. "My first thoughts were that the brakes had failed, the coach was going that fast", he said.

'Nearly hit car': The coach nearly rolled back into a following car on a steep hill minutes before the accident, the car driver told the inquest (the Press Association reports).

Mr Harry Furness, of Pendar's Walk, Manston, Leeds, was follow the coach up the one-in-six Greenhow Hill, North Yorkshire.

"We were going at about 10mph or 15 mph", he said. "We were behind the coach until it reached the top and it stopped three times. The first time he nearly rolled back into me".



The new stamps picturing railway history.

Stamp set will celebrate 150 years of railways

By Our Stamps Correspondent

The 150th anniversary of the opening of the Stockton and Darlington Railway in 1825 will be commemorated on August 13 next by four stamps featuring locomotives, representing periods of their development.

The 7p stamp pictures George Stephenson's "Locomotion", which hauled the first public service train along the new line.

The 8p stamp marks the 1876 milestone in locomotive engineering with the appearance of Dugald Drummond's 80 mph "Abbotsford".

Among the later locomotives, the Castle Class, designed by C. B. Collett, was outstanding, and the "Caerphilly Castle", now in the Science Museum, London, is shown on the 10p.

The fourth stamp in the set is that of 12p, illustrating British Rail's new high speed train, which went into service this year and is capable of maintaining 125 mph.

The designs were by Brian Craker, a newcomer to stamp-designing. Printing in photogravure is by Harrison & Sons at High Wycombe.

Oil revenue wanted to aid tourism in Scotland

From Our Correspondent
Glasgow

The Scottish Tourist Board wants several million pounds of North Sea oil revenue to assist the tourist industry in Scotland, Mr Robin MacLellan, its chairman, said yesterday.

He emphasized that the money could make "a significant contribution to the effective management of our sensitive leisure resources and to economic growth in many of our regions", and could be used "to make good the industrial dereliction and to improve the Scottish environment".

A news conference in Glasgow heard that the board, in partnership with regional authorities, plans to be more ambitious in trying to increase tourist investment in Scotland by acquiring land. It will be done along similar lines to that adopted by the Scottish Industrial Estate Corporation for commercial development.

Mr MacLellan, discussing the board's annual report, said these areas could attract holiday ventures and selfcatering accommodation, linked to recreational facilities.

Visitors to Scotland last year spent a record £310m, compared with £260m in 1973. With the sinking value of the pound overseas encouraging holidays in Britain, Mr MacLellan forecast that the current season would be highly successful. United States visitors to Scotland fell by 15 per cent because of pressure in America for people to spend their holidays at home, uneconomic uncertainty, a fall in the dollar against sterling and "because of a whole catalogue of inhibiting factors, including increased travel fares, a petrol shortage in Scotland and bombings in England", Mr MacLellan said.

Dearer milk but cheaper beef predicted

From Hugh Clayton
Agricultural Correspondent
Stoneleigh

Dearer milk and cheaper beef were predicted by leaders of the food trade at the Royal Agricultural Show at Stoneleigh, Warwickshire, yesterday.

Sir Richard Trehane, chairman of the Milk Marketing Board, said he thought the price of milk would rise by a penny a pint before Christmas. That was because of likely increases in dairy prices and in distributors' margins and because of cuts in consumer subsidies.

Some experts had predicted a rise of 2p, but Sir Richard said he thought that an increase of almost a third would be "too rough on the public".

"Prospects for winter feed are about the worst they have ever been", he said. "There are no reserves." Some farmers were cutting parched crops of spring barley for green feed.

Dairy farmers were eliminating "passengers" in their herds, and the definition of "passenger" was becoming more stringent every day. "This will mean a severe shortage of milk", Sir Richard said.

Mr John Corr, general manager of the Irish Livestock and Meat Board, predicted a gradual decline in beef prices because more animals would be brought to market and because of a shortage of grazing.

He saw no likelihood of the Irish Republic depressing the British beef market with heavy autumn imports, although the Irish Government was maintaining the EEC intervention system which Britain had rejected and bypassed.

Mr Corr said that half of the beef produced in the Irish Republic this year would be sold into intervention. His country's "beef mountain" totalled more than 60,000 tons, of which about 40,000 tons were stored in England.

Mr Colin Cullimore, deputy chairman of the meat promotion executive of the Meat and Livestock Commission, said there would be "a gentle drifting down of beef prices" for the next four to five weeks.

"It will be the end of August before there will be a really significant drop", he said. That would lead to a cut of 12p to 14p from present levels on expensive cuts of beef.

He forecast that supplies in autumn would be heavy, although lower than last year. But economic pressures would ensure that demand for beef was markedly lower than last year.

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BBC in Scotland 'must reflect national identity'

From Our Correspondent
Glasgow

A strong devolutionist line is taken by the Broadcasting Council for Scotland in a memorandum to the Annan Commission on Broadcasting, released in Glasgow yesterday. It comes after a submission from the Church of Scotland demanding that finance for the BBC should be controlled in Scotland under the projected Scottish assembly. The Scottish governors of the BBC, under the chairmanship of Lady Avonside, the national governor for Scotland, say: Scotland is a nation, not a region. It has a distinct history and ethnic background. It has a separate religious, legal, educational and literacy tradition. If therefore Scotland is to remain within the British broadcasting system, as the council wishes, that system must reflect this separate national identity and must enable it to play a distinct role in moulding the ethos of British broadcasting as a whole.

The people of Scotland are increasingly conscious of their national identity and of the need to express it in their political and social life. To meet its objective BBC Scotland must have complete, balanced, general transmitter coverage throughout the whole of Scotland.

Correction

A report in *The Times* on Saturday, June 28, stated that "far-reaching proposals" had been submitted to the Annan Committee on the Future of Broadcasting by the Standing Conference on Broadcasting. The proposals were in fact endorsed only by the ten-man executive committee of the standing conference, and not by all the members of the standing conference, although they had been consulted. Some members do not support the proposals.

Dr Coggan calls on nation for a renewal of faith

By Clifford Longley
Religious Affairs
Correspondent

Powerful interests in the nation have a responsibility to care for the whole life of society and not simply to protect sectional interests, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Coggan, said yesterday in a comment on the present economic situation.

In his presidential address to the general synod of the Church of England he said: "This exercise of responsibility calls for a temper of mind and a singleness of heart which spurns arrogance, self-seeking, envy and greed. We are still as a nation groping our way forward to workable arrangements for taking consultation and reaching decisions among those who now share power".

Those efforts will be frustrated, Dr Coggan said, unless the British people are prepared for a "cleansing of self, a quickening of conscience, and a renewal of faith which alone can exalt our nation".

Dr Coggan urged the church to pray for guidance for the nation. It would be a very insensitive man, he said, who was not deeply concerned at the serious economic situation, and the state of society generally.

Speaking of the Irish situation, Dr Coggan welcomed the Government's statement that there was no intention of withdrawing troops if the present constitutional Convention broke down. He said it was possible to appreciate the impatience and despair felt by people. "Nevertheless, suddenly to withdraw our forces would be to invite worse bloodshed than what is now the case". Dr Coggan said. "We cannot turn aside simply because the path becomes more arduous".

'Green field' housing plan

By Our Planning Reporter

One of the largest "green fields" housing projects in recent years, covering 1,300 acres of rural Essex, was officially inaugurated yesterday.

It has not been designated a new town but it will increase the population of the village of South Woodham Ferrers from 4,000 t 18,000 in the next 10 years, and will contain new shops, schools and recreational facilities.

Permission for the development was granted last September after a public inquiry which heard strong objects from local residents. Although the land lies close to the site formerly designated for Maplin airport, Essex County Council officials say that the two schemes were unconnected, and that new local employment oppootunities will be provided.

Local authorities, including perhaps the Gra Greater London Council, may build some of the houses, but private developers will be predominant. The county council intends to enforce the principles of their "design guide".

Suicide verdict on Lady Lucy Russell

From Our Correspondent
Penzance

The death of Lady Lucy Russell, aged 26, a granddaughter of Bertrand Russell, was a protest against the state of the world, Mr Geoffrey Robins, the west Cornwall coroner, was told at Penzance yesterday by Mrs Dora Russell, Lady Luck's grandmother.

The inquest into the death of Lady Lucy, who set fire to herself in a graveyard at St Buryan in April, was told that on the top step of a pyramid-shaped monument in the churchyard was found an empty paraffin can and a box of matches. The coroner returned a verdict that she killed herself by setting herself alight while the balance of her mind was disturbed.

Mrs Dora Russell, whose son is the fourth Lord Russell and who lives at Porthcurno, said: "I am quite certain that what Lucy had in mind was what the monks had done in Vietnam, and her death was a protest for her feeling for pacifism and against the state of the world. She was one of those people who couldn't tolerate the present state of the world." She added that Lady Lucy was seriously interested in Buddhism and went to Katmandu in 1973 and learned meditation with monks.

Man sentenced to 10 years for killing baby son

A man was jailed for 10 years yesterday at Manchester Crown Court after admitting the manslaughter of his son, aged five months, who died from brain damage after skull fractures. A plea of not guilty to murdering the child was accepted.

The man, Fred Roberts, aged 23, of Efans Street, Salford, Great Manchester, admitted hitting the child's head "a couple of times" on the arm of a sofa." The baby would not take his feed and was crying and I got annoyed. I was sorry when I had done it" he said.

A post mortem examination showed that the child had 11 fractured ribs, fractures of both collar bones and a dislocated left hip. His legs were fractured, both arms were broken and there were "at least" six skull fractures, the court heard.

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OME NEWS

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...e Greater London Council ... abandoned a scheme to ...ose a £1.25 a day surcharge ... motorists driving into the ...re of London. The majority ... our group decided at a ...ting on Monday night that ... scheme was socially un...eptable because poorer ...ple would suffer greater ...dship.

When the scheme was put ...ward early this year, it was ...ognized that it might pro... opposition, and it was ...eed by the Labour admini...ation that it would be imple...nted only if the public gave ...avourable response.

LC planners estimated that ... scheme would cut traffic ... the central 10 square miles ... London by about a third, ... would yield £45m yearly ... revenue. It was expected ... it would cost about £5m a ...r to operate, and need ...ndreds of extra staff.

The response from the pub... and from motoring bodies ...s furious opposition. As a ...ult, the scheme will be ...mally voted down when it ...mes before the transport ...mittee next week.

The Labour administration ... continuing to press for ...er strict measures to keep ...rs out of the central area.

Jim Daly, chairman of the ...nsport committee, is ex...cted to produce a package ... proposals soon, which may ...clude reduced parking and a ...eme to tax office parking ...aces.

Coinciding with the decision, ...LC members received a letter ...esterday from Sir Clive ...ossom, chairman of the RAC, ...aying that the extent to which ...ommuter cars were contribut... to London's traffic conges... on problems was grossly ...xaggerated. The commuter car ...ust not be made the scape...oat for the failure of authority ... tackle London's road and ...arking problems in a progres... manner, Sir Clive wrote.



Sir Keith Joseph holds aloft his Free Enterprise Award while Mrs Thatcher looks on approvingly.

Mrs Thatcher espouses the Joseph credo

By John Groser

Pledging herself and her party to the principles of the market economy and the philosophy of free enterprise, Mrs Thatcher, Leader of the Opposition, yesterday acclaimed publicly the work in this field of Sir Keith Joseph, the Conservatives' policy maker in chief.

She espoused his cause, appeared to adopt as Tory doctrine his personal-political credo, and proclaimed that "free enterprise is an essential part of Britain's future". Speaking in London at the Free Enterprise Day luncheon, where she presented the first Free Enterprise Award to Sir Keith, she congratulated Aims for Freedom and Enterprise on the work of its members and its championing of the cause of free enterprise.

"All you need now is a government that believes in it; a government that would encourage a flourishing, profitable free enterprise which produces the goods, jobs, exports, wealth and inventiveness", she said.

Describing how Free Enterprise Day was dedicated to the destruction of the myth that freedom was divisible, Mrs Thatcher said: "There is increasing belief that that is so! that you can have political freedom and economic slavery; that you can preserve intellectual freedom and destroy commercial independence; that you can fight for freedom of speech and yet overthrow freedom of enterprise.

"No myth is more dangerous. Freedom is indivisible. Once the state controls the means of production, distribution and exchange all of us become dependent upon it. The whole nation becomes dependent upon the decisions of the bureaucracy and the politicians".

If the state was the only source of capital, Mrs Thatcher said, then only those ideas and aims approved by the state could get the money for development. If the state was the only employer, where was the real freedom of choice of the employer? If the state was the only shareholder, where could people look for independent support?

Mrs Thatcher said she was not putting forward an extreme case. Total state takeovers could well occur in this country.

"Is it not a fact," she said, "that this Government is taking the country faster towards the centralized state than any previous government. Month by month, almost day by day, the freedom of free enterprise is curtailed and the power of the state enhanced.

"That is why we have a twofold purpose today. First to say 'stop' to the extension of state control and secondly to start the extension of freedom".

Those socialists who insisted it was essential to control private enterprise to give more power to the people were talking nonsense. "Not one single measure produced by any socialist government has extended power to the people", she said.

Only free enterprise could provide power for the people. Power was primarily the power of choice.

She said: "The captains of industry and the stall-holders in the market place are both parts of the free enterprise system. They both exist to serve their customers. They each know that success or failure depend on how well they serve the customer or consumer. So free enterprise benefits the entrepreneur and the worker and it benefits Britain by creating the surplus of wealth which improves not only material standards but the cultural and artistic standards of life too." The battle for free enterprise was a battle this country dared not lose.

Presenting the award to Sir Keith Joseph, Mrs Thatcher praised his work as Secretary of State for Health and Social Security in the last Conservative Administration. He had done more than any other person to revive the principles of free enterprise, she said.

Sir Keith, thanking her, praised the entrepreneurs, the undertakers or rather risk takers, who were responsible for the creation of wealth. "Long live the undertakers", he said. The country was waiting to be converted to free enterprise.

Book about illness wins literary award

By Our Arts Reporter

A London-born doctor working in New York has won the Hawthornden Prize, the British literary award, for a book about a community of people who were treated with a new drug after suffering from sleeping sickness for nearly 50 years.

Dr Oliver Sacks, aged 41, a neuro-psychologist, who published his book, *Awakenings*, last summer, qualified only by 10 days for the award. The recipient must be under 41 and English.

The award of £100 and a silver medal was founded in 1919 by Miss Alice Warrender to encourage young authors of imaginative literature.

Dr Sacks's book consists of 20 case histories of patients with whom he first made contact in the United States in 1966 and then treated with the drug L-Dopa. "These patients—and there is also a group in this country—are very rare now, as this epidemic was half a century ago", he said.

"In the book I have gone into things about the human condition from these remarkable people. Many of them are highly intelligent and intact in their higher functions."

After his researches into the conditions, Dr Sacks is now working with patients who suffer from tics and compulsions "of one sort or another".

The Society of Authors, associated with the Hawthornden Prize for the first time this year, made its largest ever grant of literary awards, which were presented last night. Other winners were:

Cholmondeley Awards (for poets): Jenny Joseph, Norman MacCaig, John Ormond: Tom-Gallon Trust (fiction writers of limited means): Neilson Graham; Eric Gregory Trust Fund (young poets): John Birtwhistle, Duncan Bush, Peter Cash, Philip Holmes, Alasdair Paterson, Val Warner; Margaret Rhondda Award (women journalists in needy circumstances): Colette Marshall; travelling scholarship: John McGaherne.

How to avoid wrong image on television

By Our Arts Reporter

Sir Michael Swann, BBC chairman, said yesterday that he was not persuaded that the way broadcasting presented the union side in industrial disputes was "a travesty of the truth".

Delivering the Goodman Lecture at the Royal Society, he said complaints from both sides of industry were surprisingly similar, the primary complaint being that all too often an image of conflict was presented, with little or no emphasis on constructive co-operation.

"There is something in this criticism, I do not doubt", he said. "But unions are set up to bargain for better wages and conditions, with the strike threat in the background, and bargaining is what they spend by far the greater part of their energies on.

"Could the real reason why we do not put on much about unions in relation to education or health or welfare in fact be because these things absorb rather a small fraction of their time?"

Sir Michael, speaking on "Coming to terms with mass communication", said it was complained that they were apt to show militant shop stewards in preference to headquarters officials.

"Is it not sometimes the case", he asked, "that the former are calling the tune? No doubt our presentation of the union side could be fairer, but I am not persuaded that it is a travesty of the truth."

His advice to all sides was: If you are the boss of a large firm and you are asked to comment on the difficulties of small firms, it is not wise to be televised in a Rolls-Royce, smoking a cigar. No matter what you say, the picture contrasts with harassed little men in scrubby offices.

If you are an official of a national corporation, do not make a key speech about your union troubles on the eve of a ballot, wearing a dinner jacket and surrounded by others so attired, all eating and drinking. What you say may be splendid sense, but the picture says you are a boss-class character living a life of luxury.

If you are a high-up union official dealing, for example, with a seamen's strike, do not be televised in a comfortable land-locked office. You will look irrelevant alongside seamen in the docks with laid-up ships.

Finally, a word for Chancellors of the Exchequer. Do not, if you are to be televised, make a financial speech at a lord mayor's dinner on the night before a budget.

All the examples had happened in recent years, he said. Since visual images spoke more powerfully than words, the net result must have been the reverse of what was intended.

Sir Michael had warning words for Fleet Street. There was, he said, something of a conspiracy of silence about "an alarming degree of overmanning on the print side". No one knew whether a quarter, or even half or even more printing workers were being maintained in partial idleness.

"Only now, with dire troubles round the corner, are one or two national newspapers starting to do anything about it. With some good will on both sides, the problem is soluble.

"But if it is not solved, and a few more national papers fold up, the basis of a free press, namely the wide diversity of separate outlets, would be seriously undermined, and pressure for regulation by government would be difficult to resist."

Another factor that could lead to the Government taking a hand arose from the potential power of a handful of unions. Some printing unions had, more often than was generally realized, refused to print items.

Sometimes editors had resisted pressure, but in general there was again a conspiracy of silence. "One would like to know the full facts."

It was possible that a long period of relative stability in the relations of society with the press was ending, he said.

Free newspaper

The Isle of Ely and Wisbech Advertiser, a weekly newspaper published in Cambridgeshire since 1845, will be distributed free from today. It will be known as the Fenland Advertiser, with a circulation of 20,000.

Merseyside challenge to eport on area airports

...from John Chartres
...Liverpool

In an almost traditional Liverpool versus Manchester conflict, Merseyside Chamber of Commerce has challenged the recommendations of the Civil Aviation Authority on the future of provincial airports in central England.

The CAA recently suggested that only Manchester and Birmingham should continue to function as main international airports in central England, an area which also includes the Liverpool, Blackpool, Leeds/Bradford and East Midlands airports.

In a letter to Mr Shore, Secretary of State for Trade, which was published yesterday, the chamber particularly questions the CAA contention that the scale of operations at Manchester Ringway is within the capacity of the existing main runway and will remain so until 1990.

Referring to the controversial proposed "second runway" at Manchester, which is being vigorously opposed by local residents and conservation interests, the Chamber of Commerce statement says:

The (Civil Aviation Authority) report completely ignores what the Manchester Airport Authority has been saying for many years; that essential repairs to its main runway will necessitate its closure by 1981.

A second runway is required to enable the airport to provide the type of service envisaged by the CAA and if this is not available the airport will have to be closed while repairs of the existing main runway are carried out.

The Secretary of State will very soon be faced with a decision between a second runway at Ringway or a second runway somewhere else in the north-west. Surely the area's best choice is to use the existing asset of Liverpool airport as that second runway.

Liverpool has what is acknowledged to be one of the most technically advanced and best equipped runways in Europe.

The chamber also maintains that airports such as Liverpool should be regarded as national assets, and funded accordingly. It says that the CAA's claim that the Merseyside local authorities do not appear to be keen, or indeed willing, to support the development of Liverpool airport is in no way substantiated.

Concern over 'dossier' on isles residents

From Our Correspondent
Douglas, Isle of Man

Legislation to create a register containing information about every resident of the Isle of Man was attacked yesterday by a leading Manx MP. The island's senior High Court judge, Deemster Robert Eason, also expressed his misgivings about the Registration of Residents' Bill which was given a formal first reading by the Legislative Council, the upper house of the Manx Parliament.

Mr J. W. Corrin, attorney general, explained that names and addresses would be listed in the register, with "such other matters as may be prescribed by regulations".

Mr Howard Simcocks said: "This would seem to be the beginning of a situation in which the state maintains a dossier on its residents. It does seem to me we should at least be given an indication of the need for it."

Deemster Eason was unhappy about a clause in the Bill which would give the authority responsible for compiling the register access to information collected for census purposes. Such information had always been regarded as confidential, and he said that assurances to that effect were given when the census was taken.

Mr John Bolton, chairman of the island's finance board, said: "I intend to oppose it. In my view it is not desirable."

But Mr Victor Kneale (Ind) pointed out that the House of Keys, the lower house, had been strongly in favour of the Bill. He thought it wrong to reject a Bill at first reading stage which was usually a formality.

New bypass opens

The first stage of the Nene Valley Way dual carriageway at Northampton opens for traffic today. It will cater for predicted traffic flows in 1991

Cave found by accident

A cave containing numerous items of mining equipment dating from 1889 has been discovered by accident in the Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire, by a group of potholers.

Liberal candidate

Mr John Madeley, aged 40, an economist and businessman, has been adopted as prospective parliamentary Liberal candidate for Petersfield, Hampshire.

Suicide verdict quashed and coroners warned

Coroners should record suicide verdicts only when there is positive evidence of it, the Lord Chief Justice, Lord Widgery, said yesterday.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court quashed a suicide verdict recorded on a London caretaker, George Henry Barber, aged 31, and ordered a new inquest.

An appeal against the verdict had been brought by his widowed mother, Mrs Doris Barber, aged 61, of Teviot Street, Poplar. Afterwards she said: "I wanted to clear my son's name. I felt that the verdict was a stigma. I am certain it was an accident."

Mr Barber died in April last year when he fell from the roof of an office block in Queen Victoria Street, London. The City of London Coroner, Mr David Manuel Paul, holding an inquest without a jury on May 17 last year, recorded a suicide verdict.

"No single fact pointed to the conclusion that Mr Barber deliberately took his own life and there was every possibility that it was an accident", Lord Widgery said.

"I must impress on coroners that an open verdict is no reflection on them. It does not mean that they are not doing their job properly. There are many cases where an open verdict is right."

Mr Barber, who lived in a service flat with his wife, Valerie, died after he and his wife had been to a public house for a drink, Lord Widgery said. He went for a walk on the roof while his wife was preparing lunch and she thought he could have been chasing their cat round the roof.

Mr Barber's blood alcohol level indicated that he had drunk seven pints of beer or 14 tots of spirit, but his wife said he was not behaving strangely because of the drink.

"The coroner's approach seems to have ignored one of the most important rules—that suicide must not be presumed because it seems the most likely explanation", Lord Widgery said. "If it cannot be proved by evidence, he should find an open verdict."

Mr Justice Milmo and Mr Justice Wien agreed.

£1.5m telescope for British astronomers

From Pearce Wright
Science Correspondent
Sheffield

Preparations have begun for the assembly for British astronomers of the world's largest infrared telescope, with a 150in mirror and costing about £1.5m. It will be tested in Sheffield before installation in two years at 14,000ft on top of Mount Mauna Kea, in Hawaii. The testing work is being done by the special projects division of Dunford Hadfields, one of the biggest private steel companies.

The company has been awarded a £400,000 contract by the Science Research Council to design, manufacture, and install the instrument to be used for all British universities and research institutes. The main programme will be compilation of a map of stars not normally visible by conventional telescopes but through the infrared radiation which they emit.

The cost of the project is shared between the steel manufacturer, Sir Howard Grubb Parsons, of Newcastle, which is preparing the giant mirror, and the developers of the special electronic apparatus needed for selecting the infrared signals from the light collected.

Although the instrument is not destined for work until October, 1977, Mr Desmond Hickinson, divisional manager at the company, has just returned with a survey of the area in which the new observatory is to be built. Some smaller conventional telescopes have already been built on the mountain by Hawaii University.

The decision to construct a special instrument for British astronomers such a distance away comes after success with a smaller device designed by Imperial College, London, now operating at the observatory on Izaña, Teneriffe, demonstrating the contribution scientists from the United Kingdom have to make to this developing aspect of astronomy.

The atmosphere over the Pacific island is not only among the least contaminated and the mountain the most accessible peak for building a telescope, but it also lies in a part of the atmosphere that allows infrared waves to be transmitted. The average hilltop in Britain receives only about 5 per cent of the infrared radiation entering the atmosphere, compared with 95 per cent that should be collected at the new observatory.

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WEST EUROPE

Lisbon call for inquiry into prison escapes

From Michael Binyon
Lisbon, July 1

With 60 former members of the secret police (Pide) still on the run a dispute broke out in Portugal today over the circumstances in which 89 of them managed to escape on Sunday from Alcoentre top security prison.

The press called for an inquiry saying that they had been helped from both inside and outside the prison. The Communist Party held the Ministry of Justice responsible.

Pictures of 50 of the men have been published, and by tonight 29 of them were back *in custody*.

Apparently the escapes began at 2 pm on Sunday and nothing was noticed until the villagers at Quebredas, where the prison is situated, reported a large number of strange people in the area. The alarm was not given until after roll call at 6.30 pm. Military help did not arrive for another two hours. The official explanation was the difficulty to muster troops on a Sunday.

The first news of the escape was issued after 10 pm and it was broadcast on the national radio at 2 am the following day.

The prisoners were apparently able to use files, saws and wire stolen from the workshop. Some of those recaptured also had forged identity cards.

Colonel Joao Xavier, director of most military prisons who is responsible for Alcoentre, told a press conference that the authorities had known that an escape was planned but did not reinforce the guard.

The whole question of the Pide prisoners has become a very delicate one. The left, particularly the Communists, have complained that the Pide men were given privileged treatment in prison. On the other hand, the Revolutionary Council has shown itself reluctant to hasten the investigation.

This investigation is the responsibility of a special committee set up last year, which has become surrounded with *political controversy*.

Recently it has been accused of becoming dominated by the Communists.

During the election campaign the far left was accusing the Communists of using Pide prisoners to forge documents suggesting that the Communist Party's opponents had worked for Pide.



Mr Leo Tindemans, the Belgian Prime Minister (right), accompanied by aides, speaking to the press in London yesterday about his report to the EEC.

Mr Tindemans finds the English favour European integration

By David Spanier
Diplomatic Correspondent

The English are becoming more European, their attitude *to questions concerning* a future European union is "more and more positive", and this even applies to anti-marketeers. This was the encouraging conclusion of Mr Leo Tindemans, the Belgian Prime Minister, after two days of talks in London, gathering *material for his report on* European union.

The report is to be given to heads of government of the Nine in December.

Mr Tindemans, who continued his meet-the-people tour in Edinburgh yesterday and goes on to Cardiff today, said he felt British opinion was moving so rapidly towards understanding the European Community and its aims that he really wished he could wait a few more months to sound out British views again.

He has been seeking answers to three main questions: what common policies do we want? How do we see the role of th institutions of the Community? What is the objective of a European union?

"In general, I found a very positive attitude towards European integration." Mr Tindemans said yesterday. "Everybody accepts the result of the referendum, including people who during the campaign were anti EEC.

Some of the detailed questions put to him by politicians, trade union leaders, representatives of women's and youth organizations and other people he met were so searching they made him feel like a student again, Mr Tindemans added.

He paid particular tribute to Mr Wilson's statement that Britain would participate fully in the Community's activities, and praised the Labour Party's decision to send MPs to the European Parliament.

On direct elections, Mr Tindemans said he felt the parties were now seriously considering all the practicalities in moving towards the idea, though the British Government's reserve had *not* been completely lifted.

As for his report, Mr Tindemans is still feeling his way. He would prefer to write a short report, setting out recommendations separately, perhaps adding the various arguments in another document. One issue he is still considering is *whether to bring in questions* of defence. He sees his report as part of a continuing process, however.

Giscard optimism fails to carry conviction

From Charles Hargrove
Paris, July 1

President Giscard d'Estaing's optimism and assurance in his television chat last night that there would be no great upheavals next autumn have failed to carry conviction among his own supporters, among *employees, and* in the press. But his appeal for a less aggressive and vehement tone in political life has been generally applauded.

The Left thinks the President's strictures should apply exclusively to his own followers, and not to the Opposition, which believes itself more sinned against than sinning in this respect.

Most commentators agree, however, that the appeal for more moderation and fair play was aimed also at M Poniatowski, the Minister of the Interior, and M Chirac, the Prime Minister, who have recently both indulged in a new bout of Communist-baiting.

If so, the Communist organ *L'Humanité* suggests, it should have been said clearly. "But let us not be ingenuous. In the present system, one knows it is the Elysée which commands and inspires. If M Giscard d'Estaing tries to appear as a *conciliator and messenger* of hope, it is by virtue of a division of labour—to him, the carrot; to his ministers, the stick."

The last chat of the season is not generally regarded as having produced anything new in economic matters, and especially no specific support for the presidential optimism. But the calm, quiet, relaxed, more intimate tone of the talk instead of the previous rather dry professorial approach must have made some impact on public opinion, and restored a certain degree of that confidence which Frenchmen need before the great summer holiday migration.

It is strange to find such *diametrically* opposed newspapers as *L'Aurore*, which is *right wing, and Le Quotidien de Paris* agreeing.

"The housewife's basket is not filled with indices, and statistics are a poor remedy for the plague of unemployment", in the words of the first.

"Right as he was" to try to take the drama out of "a political climate perturbed by often artificial and therefore often useless tensions", the second argues, it is surprising "that he should neglect with *such* detachment realities which impose on certain social categories a menace difficult to bear".

M Giscard d'Estaing obviously wished to remain above the fray. But some think he is nearer heaven than earth and would be wise to come down again.

The unions and the Left are less indulgent. "On the eve of the holidays, Giscard d'Estaing tries to make us swallow a good dose of tranquillizers", the Confédération Française Démocratique du Travail *said*. "His display of self-satisfaction will not succeed in disguising the fall in purchasing power, *the extension* of unemployment."

And the communist Confédération Générale du Travail says that the President's analysis of current affairs was made "through the deforming mirror of self-satisfaction erected into a system of government". *It adds*: "The Government would be unwise to depend on the holiday period to tranquillize labour.

Even the more moderate white-collar workers' union, the Confédération Générale des Cadres wonders how Frenchmen can go off on holiday without worry. "Frenchmen have reason for concern because the demonstration of the President was *not convincing. He wanted to* persuade us that he had won the battle of inflation. But at what price? That of unemployment."

France adopts divorce by mutual consent

From Our Own Correspondent
Paris, July 1

Amid the confusion which marked the closing hours of the spring session of the French Parliament, the law reforming divorce procedures was finally adopted. The main point of the law is the introduction of *divorce by mutual consent*.

It also provides for two other cases of divorce. One is by breach of communal existence for a minimum of six years or mental illness of one of the parties for the same period of time, to be determined by a judge. The other is divorce through an offence by one of the parties, although adultery disappears as a specific and automatic cause of divorce.

The law also *tightens up the* rules on the payment of alimony. Special judges are to be appointed to deal with matrimonial affairs.

The French bishops, in a statement today, expressed serious reservations about the new law. They maintain that divorce by consent will lead to a watered-down conception of marriage as a revocable contract.

They regretted "that the revision of the divorce law should not have taken place in the context of an overall policy of promoting the family, which is always promised, but always postponed."

First free poll in islands

Praia, Cape Verde Islands, July 1.—The results of the first free election in the Cape Verde Islands, held yesterday, will not be known until tomorrow or Thursday, officials said today.

The PAIGC-V (African Party for the Independence of Guinea *and Cape Verde) was the only* party presenting candidates for the elections in the islands, which gain independence from Portugal on Saturday.—UPI.

Fascist Party prosecutions sought in Rome

From Our Correspondent
Rome, July 1

The Rome public prosecutor has decided to ask Parliament's permission to proceed against some 40 neo-fascist senators and *deputies for allegedly reviving* the outlawed Fascist Party, it was announcd today.

The unexpected decision was the latest development in extremely slow, four-year-old proceedings which had been started by the Milan public prosecutor, the late Dr Luigi Bianchi d'Espinosa, in 1971, after a nationwide investigation into the activities of the neo-fascist Movimento Sociale party.

Until now the principal accused has been the party's secretary, Signor Giorgio *Almirante*. Parliament agreed to lift his parliamentary immunity in 1972 so he could stand trial. The deputies and senators are understood to be under accusation because they held party posts during recent years.

The proceedings started by Dr Bianchi d'Espinosa were the first under the so-called Scelba Law of 1952 which forbids the revival of the Fascist Party or any similar party.

40 held in S Vietnam

Hongkong, July 1.—South Vietnamese security forces have arrested more than 40 people, including former officers, and seized weapons and ammunition, Giai Phong radio reported today.

OVERSEAS

Mrs Gandhi brings in measures to help Indian poor but avoids wholesale nationalization

From Peter Hazelhurst
Delhi, July 1

Confounding Communist hopes that the Indian Government would introduce a more *radical economic policy following* last week's emergency regulations, Mrs Gandhi, the Prime Minister, announced a number of populist measures tonight to give some immediate relief to India's urban and rural poor.

The measures, which are designed to enhance her image in a country still dazed by the swift political change, include moves against tax evaders and smugglers and a long-promised ceiling on urban property.

In a broadcast to the nation tonight, Mrs Gandhi indicated that the Government will use its almost autocratic powers under the newly proclaimed emergency measures to provide summary punishment for tax evaders, speculators and the urban rich.

But, much to the disappointment of the pro-Moscow Communist Party, which supported Mrs Gandhi's moves against the right-wing opposition leaders *last week, the Prime Minister* showed no intention of nationalizing important sections of industry.

In her broadcast Mrs Gandhi stated: "The campaign of law breaking, paralysing national activity and inciting our security forces to indiscipline and *disobedience would have led to* economic chaos and collapse and our country would have become vulnerable to fissiparous tendencies and external danger.

"With the fumes of hatred having cleared somewhat, we can see our economic goals with greater clarity and urgency. The emergency provides us with a new opportunity to go ahead with our economic tasks."

She promised to impose *ceilings on the ownership* of rural land, to redistribute surplus land and introduce laws to confer ownership rights on landless peasants living on property *owned by absentee* landlords.

Bonded labour is to be abolished. Credit will be extended to landless labourers and a moratorium on rural debts will be imposed.

The Government, she said, will take over vacant land in the urban areas and introduce a ceiling on property.

Mrs Gandhi went on to say that tax evasion was a crime. "Punishments will be stern. We *are thinking of summary trials*," she stated, adding that the property of smugglers will be confiscated.

Appealing to the masses for support, Mrs Gandhi also promised tax concessions for the poor and educational grants for poorer students.

Addressing today the executive of the Congress Party's parliamentary course, Mrs Gandhi is reported to have declared that the curtailment of political activities should have been introduced earlier. A spokesman for the party told Journalists that the Prime *Minister had received informa*tion which indicated that certain organizations which advocate violence" had begun to go underground before the new measures were introduced last week. "This was with the intention of committing sabotage," the spokesman claimed.

Reviewing the developments since the emergency was declared last week, the spokesman said that Mrs Gandhi had asserted that democracy "has been bruised and wounded by those who pose as the saviours of democracy. There had been a general slackening in discipline *in various walks of life, in* industry, educational institutes and in Government offices, and the party "would now make an effort to put the country back on the rails."

Our Foreign Staff writes: Censorship in India has now become so strict that Indian news*paper editors have been told* by Mr Gandhi's Government that they may no longer even print extracts from speeches by Nehru, Mahatma Gandhi or Rabindrandth Tagore which relate to freedom or touch upon the kind of emergency measures introduced in the country last week.

According to travellers arriving in London from India yesterday, theh editors of Delhi's leading newspapers were summoned before angry Government officials on Sunday and warned not only that they should not print speeches by *Nehru and Gandhi and the* famous Bengali poet but that they should not carry white spaces in their papers to indicate that the pages have been censored.

The editors, according to the same sources, were also told that they should not carry a notice to readers telling them that the newspapers had been subjected to censorship.

Turkey accused of increasing Cyprus force

From Our Correspondent
Nicosia, July 1

The Cyprus Government today accused Turkey of reinforcing its troops in the island and of massing them on the ceasefire line with the threat of fresh military action.

The Government spokesman also said that all male Turkish Cypriot reservists aged *between* 18 and 45 had been called up in the past fortnight, and yesterday they had been issued with weapons and organized into *units*.

The Government spokesman said the Cabinet of President Makarios was meeting in special session to consider the latest developments. The heads of all diplomatic missions in Nicosia also were summoned to the Foreign Ministry to be informed of the Turkish military build-up.

Mr Rauf Denktash, the Turkish Cypriot leader, announced that the transfer of the Greek Cypriots to the south was suspended today after an agreement with the Greek Cypriot authorities. He added that the Greek side had agreed on the transfer of 48 Turkish Cypriots and their families who were allegedly beaten up by Greek Cypriots last week to the Turkish-controlled region on Thursday.

Mr Denktash added that if these Turks were not transferred on Thursday, then "the Turkish Cypriot federated state will resume sending Greek Cypriots from the north to the south once again."

The Cyprus Government has denied Turkish allegations that the 4,000 Turkish Cypriots in the south are being ill-treated. It said the accusations were "concocted", *and that together* with the forcible expulsion of Greek Cypriots from the north they were intended to blackmail the Government into allowing the Turks in the south to be moved to the north.

The Cyprus Government refuses to allow these Turks to be transferred *while the Turk*ish Cypriots refuse to allow any of the 200,000 Greek Cypriot refugees to return to their homes in the Turkish-occupied area.

In his statement about the Turkish military build-up in Cyprus, the Makarios Government spokesman said this had been going on since February, even while the Turkish Cypriot side was attending peace talks under the auspices of Dr Kurt Waldheim; the United Nations Secretary-General.

The spokesman maintained *that the Turkish force had been* reinforced with tanks, flame throwers, long-range artillery, anti-aircraft guns and huge quantities of ammunition as well as troops. The strength of the Turkish Army in Cyprus now exceeded 40,000—the number used in the invasion of last summer, he added.

New Lebanon Cabinet brings peace hopes

From Paul Martin
Beirut, July 1

Lebanon's new six-man Government today began the difficult task of ending the bloodiest chapter in the country's modern history and healing the wounds between its communities.

Hours after it took office, the so-called Rescue Government announced a ceasefire had been agreed between the country's military commanders and Palestine guerrilla leaders.

Mr Rashid Karami, leader of the new Government, said that its main task was to "restore confidence and trust among the Lebanese and between them and the Palestine guerrillas". As he spoke the toll of the eight days' fighting in the capital rose to 254 dead and more than 980 wounded.

Although the installation of the new Government restored some of the confidence which two and a half months of crisis had eroded, the road ahead is a long one. Sporadic fighting *continues, the barricades divide the* capital and the fundamental issues which contributed to the crisis have yet to be tackled.

However, the fact that Mr Karami has succeeded, has brought new hope, particularly as his Cabinet appears to be first and foremost an example of the national reconciliation *that the country must now* undergo.

As well as including all the main sectarian groupings, the fact that Mr Camille Chamoun appears as the representative of the Christians, has done much to lend the Cabinet national weight.

The Cabinet has the blessing of the country's two main politico-religious factions, the Christian Maronites and the Sunni Muslims. This means that it begins work with the most powerful backing given to any Cabinet in recent years.

Although the increasingly powerful left is not included, the fact that it has a traditional base is likely to stand it in good stead.

Clearly Beirut's wounds will be difficult to heal. The principal battle zones bear the scars of war. Whole quarters have been abandoned, with tall apartment buildings holed by rocket, mortar and rocket fire and windows and doors shattered by machine gun fire. Eric Marsden writes from Jerusalem: Crisis talks continued for the third day in Jerusalem on President Ford's *ultimatum to Israel that unless* it makes greater concessions to Egypt within two weeks the United States will abandon its attempts to achieve an interim Sinai settlement.

Harvesting of opium resumes

Ankara, July 1.—Turkey today began gathering its first opium poppy crop in more than two years, hoping that strict controls will prevent smugglers from using the Anatolian fields as a source of heroin.

Ankara banned opium poppy cultivation in 1971 after an official American outcry that much of the heroin sold illegally *in the United States came from* Turkey. Raw opium gum can be chemically converted to morphine base and thus to heroin.

Local officials said Government buyers today began purchasing dried poppy capsules from peasants around Afyon, 125 miles south-west of Ankara and the centre of Turkish opium *poppy growing*.—Reuter.

Lady Fleming expelled in Greek party split

From Our Correspondent
Athens, July 1

The Pan-Hellenic Socialist *Movement (Pasok), the oppo*sition party of Mr Andreas Papandreou, is in the throes of a crisis after a rebellion of its left wing, which led to the dismissal of 48 leading party members, including Lady Fleming and Miss Melina Mercouri, the actress.

The dissidents are accusing Mr Papandreou of trying to impose one-man rule on Pasok by challenging the authority of the party's elected bodies. He, in turn, denounces them for creating factions and causing dissension within Pasok.

Mr Papandreou's party won 666,000 votes, just over 13 per cent of the total, in the last elections. It controls 15 of the 300 seats in Parliament.

The crisis began last month, when 11 members of the Central Committee were dismissed.

Last week 42 leading party members signed a declaration criticizing Mr Papandreou for considering himself "the only source of power within the party". It said decisions were imposed on the party that were the wishes of Mr Papandreou.

Pasok's executive office announced today the dismissal of 37 of the 42 who had signed the declaration—15 of them members of the elected Central Committee. The Central Committee members still loyal to Mr Papandreou all resigned. The party leader said that his executive office, consisting of officials appointed by himself, would run the party until its congress, due next September.

Crucial phase for curbing nuclear arms race

From Our Correspondent
Geneva, July 1

The next few days in the resumed strategic arms limitation talks (Salt) are expected to show whether the hoped for further agreement between the United States and Russia on limiting their nuclear arms race can be realized this year.

Failure to attain this aim could jeopardize the whole process of nuclear missile restraint and safeguards in which the two superpowers have been engaged for the past seven years.

Mr Alexis Johnson, the chief of the American delegation, said on arrival last night that one of the points to be elucidated with his Russian counterpart, Mr Vladimir Semyonov, who is a *Deputy Foreign Minister*, was how each side was to verify satisfactorily for itself that the other was complying with the agreed limit of 1,320 multiple, independently targeted reentry vehicles—or MIRVs.

The two heads of delegation meet tomorrow for a discussion *on the results of their consul*tations in their respective capitals since the negotiations adjourned here on May 8.

In talking to reporters, Mr Johnson declined to be drawn on whether he thought a Salt II agreement could be concluded this year, nor did he wish to say how far they had gone along the road towards it.

One problem in verification was the fitting by the Russians of both single and multiple warheads to their SS18 missiles, making it extremely difficult for the Americans to identify from their satellite photographs the category of a given missile.

After the Soviet negotiators here had reportedly rejected an American suggestion that all *SS18s should be included in the* 1,320 ceiling, a compromise was evolved

America is now believed to be ready to differentiate between single and multiple warheads on a basis that may be acceptable to the other side, which also depends on satellites for *verification*.

In addition to the 1,320 MIRVs, another 1,080 single-headed strategic missiles are permitted under last November's Vladivostock understanding between President Ford and Mr Brezhnev.

The new agreement now being negotiated would supersede the existing Salt I—an interim accord due to expire on July 1, 1977—and run until the end of 1985. The other part of Salt I is a treaty of unlimited duration, but subject to review every five years, on limitation of anti-ballistic missiles.

EEC to consider British anxieties on egg glut

From Our Own Correspondent
Brussels, July 1

A British Government request for a ban on egg imports from other EEC member countries will come under the scrutiny of the European Commission in Brussels tomorrow.

Under the terms of its acces*sion to the Community*, Britain is allowed to introduce import restrictions if "difficulties arise which are serious and liable to persist in any sector of the economy or which could bring about serious deterioration in the economic situation of a given area." But, any such move has to be authorized by the Commission, as custodian of the Community's free trade operations.

It is by no means certain that the Commission will accede to the British request. As long ago as March when British farmers were already up in arms over falling prices, Mr Pierre Lardinois, the Commissioner for Agriculture, refuted allegations of dumping by French egg producers on the British market. The free movement of agricultural goods was one of the natural consequences of Community membership, he told a press conference in Brussels.

Then again last week, when the same point was raised during a meeting of Ministers of Agriculture of the Nine in Luxembourg, Mr Lardinois laid the blame for the industry's problems firmly on overproduction by British poultry farmers. According to unofficial Commission estimates, egg production *has risen by some* 10 per cent during the last year, a factor they see is largely responsible for the present glut.

Nevertheless, Mr Lardinois hinted that if efforts were made to cut back production, some financial aid would be made available from Community funds.

Mr Mintoff meets Bonn leaders

Bonn, July 1.—Mr Dom Mintoff, the Prime Minister of Malta, here on a three-day visit, *paid a courtesy call on President* Scheel yesterday and later met Herr Schmidt, the Federal Chancellor.—UPI.

Paris underground fares go up

Paris, July 1.—The price of Paris Metro (underground) tickets rose from 80 centimes (9½p) *to* 90 *centimes* (10-12p). A first class ticket went up from 1.20 francs (nearly 14p) to 1.35 francs (15½p).—Reuter.

Two girls in court over Kenya cash

From Michael Knipe
Nairobi, July 1

Two girls from south London, aged 16 and 14, appeared in a juvenile court in Nairobi today on charges of attempting to smuggle more than £100,000 in foreign currencies out of Kenya.

They were remanded on bail of £1,200 each until next Tuesday and were released into the *custody* of Mr T. F. Chiperton, a British consular official. Neither girl entered a plea. Their fathers are on their way to Kenya.

The charge, read in court, said the girls, Teresa Ann Laws, aged 14, and Lynn Francis, aged 16, had "conspired with a person or persons not before the court to defeat the enforcement of the Exchange Control Act".

Both girls cried during the hearing. After they were detained on Sunday as they were about to leave the country, Customs officials said they had retrieved foreign currencies *totalling £120,000. The* money was alleged to have been found under false bottoms of the girls' handbags

Mr Hill s fate is still uncertain

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expel all Ugandans from Britain.

Michael Knipe writes from *Nairobi*: President Amin today reprieved Mr Hills, the British lecturer awaiting execution in Kampala.

The Ugandan leader announce his act of clemency at an impromptu press conference in Kinshasa where he is attending the Zairean independence anniversary celebrations.

Speaking at President Mobutu's residence, President Amin said he would be officially notifying the British Chargé d'Affaires in Kinshasa of his decision. He had asked President Mobutu to help to improve his relations with Britain.

In a broadcast from Kinshasa he praised President Mobutu and said: "Because General Mobutu wanted things free, without being controlled by any superpowers and because of my confidence in President Mobutu, I have given clemency to Dennis Hills.

"I have left everything with Great Britain to be discussed with my brother General Mobutu. Now I leave them all—discussions and everything—to be *done through General* Mobutu.

"I have confidence in him. The Ugandan leadtr's words indicate that his various demands of Britain, including his insistence that Mr Callaghan should visit Kampala, have now fallen away.

Judging from the live broadcast, he seemed almost relieved that the extraordinary contest of will was over. He appears to *have placed his trust entirely* in President Mobutu. The success of the Zairean leader's mediation in the matter comes after vain appeals for clemency from more than 50 countries including several African ones. It is likely to act as a powerful boost to President Mobutu's *international prestige and will* undoubtedly win him the gratitude of the British Government.

The fate of Mr Hills still remains uncertain. At one stage during his campaign to win political and military concessions from Britain in return for his captive's life, General Amin said that even if Mr Hills is life was spared, he would have to spend at least a year in custody. At another stage he said that Mr Hills might be allowed to return to Britain with Mr Callaghan if the Foreign Secretary visited Kampala.

Over Uganda radio in the 5 pm news bulletin in what appeared to be a Zairean news agency message, President Amin was reported to have said he had had fruitful discussions with "my brother President Mobutu" and because of the confidence he had in the *Zairean leader he had pardoned* Mr Hills.

The Ugandan leader also said that he had briefed President Mobutu on what Mr Hills had written to him in a letter about the activities of American CIA (Central Intelligence Agency) agents in Africa.

Uganda radio reported President Amin as saying that he was leaving everything concerning Britain and Uganda in President Mobutu's hands and would accept whatever they agreed because of the love and confidence he had for President Mobutu.

Mr Hills, *who* has lived in Uganda since 1964, was arrested and charged with treason because of an unpublished book he has written in which he compared President Amin to "a village tyrant". A military tribunal sentenced him to death by firing squad.

Mr Hills's wife, from whom he is separated, said in Kampala today that she was very happy at the news of her husband's reprieve and had cried when *she had heard it. If he was* released her son would accompany him back to England. She intended to remain in Kampala.



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Thai leader warns Peking against 'direct or indirect' interference while establishing diplomatic links

From David Bonavia
Peking, July 1

Mr Kukrit Pramoj, the Prime Minister of Thailand, has won the admiration of many foreign diplomats in Peking for the firm and forthright speech he made last night at a welcome banquet given for him in the Great Hall of the People.

His statesmanlike handling of the establishment of diplomatic relations between Thailand and China is being compared favourably with the recent conduct in similar circumstances of President Marcos of the Philippines. President Marcos, after years spent suppressing communists in his own country, virtually declared himself converted to the thought of Mao Tse-tung as a result of his short visit to Peking. Mr Kukrit, while expressing pleasure at the end of a quarter of a century of estrangement between China and Thailand, drew clear distinctions between the desirable political systems for either country.

He recalled that social progress in Thailand had to a great extent been carried out on the initiative of that country's kings, so that revolution might be seen as coming from the top—an affirmation which can find no justification in any form of Marxism.

The formal establishment of diplomatic relations was announced tonight in a joint communique. Thailand agreed to withdraw all official representatives from Taiwan, and China recognized that the Chinese living in Thailand who took Thai citizenship would forfeit any claim to Chinese nationality.

Mr Kukrit today met Chairman Mao and had what was described as "a friendly conversation" with him.

Mr Kukrit came to Peking only a few days after Tun Abdul Razak, the Malaysian Prime Minister, had warned China against giving support to the communist insurgents in his country. In view of the new moves by Thailand and Malaysia to coordinate their anti-insurgent activities, it seems likely that this warning was given after consultations wih the Thai Government.

Mr Kukrit's own warning against "direct or indirect" interference in the affairs of another country could have been interpreted as a demand that the Chinese cease giving even moral support to pro-communist guerillas in Thailand and close the Thai language radio station said to operate from Yunnan province.

The Thai leader is himself due to pay a visit this week to Yunnan, where there are sizeable Thai minorities.

The impression is growing in Peking that China is prepared to give clear undertakings about non-interference in the affairs of her South-East Asian neighbours if they declare themselves opposed to "hegemonism" in the region—a euphemism which is taken to refer mainly to the Soviet Union.

Mr Kukrit noted China's recent expressions of support for the Association of South-East Asian nations (ASEAN) which takes in Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, Singapore and the Philippines, as well as for the Malaysian proposal that the region should become a neutral zone.

The importance of the question of non-interference as perceived by South-East Asian governments is underlined by the fact that Indonesia was considering opening diplomatic relations with China this year but apparently changed its mind after Peking had published a message of support for the banned Indonesian Communist Party.

Although there are rumours of an impending second visit to Peking by Mr Rajaratnam, the Singapore Foreign Minister, it is thought that Singapore will not want to open relations with Peking far ahead of Indonesia.

There has been no clear change of China's somewhat contradictory policy towards the governments and the insurgencies in South-East Asian countries, but there is a clearer sense of linkage between the willingness of those countries to exclude the Russians from positions of influence, and China's willingness to tone down her support for the insurgencies.

Our Bangkok Correspondent writes: The Taiwanese Embassy in Bangkok, which is second in size only to that of the United States, has been ordered to close within 30 days, but trading relations will continue to be handled through a yet to be determined system.

There is no indication that the rapidly expanding trade between Thailand and Taiwan will be curtailed by the rupture of relations. Last year Taiwan's imports from Thailand were valued at $177m (£80m) and exports to Thailand at $70m.

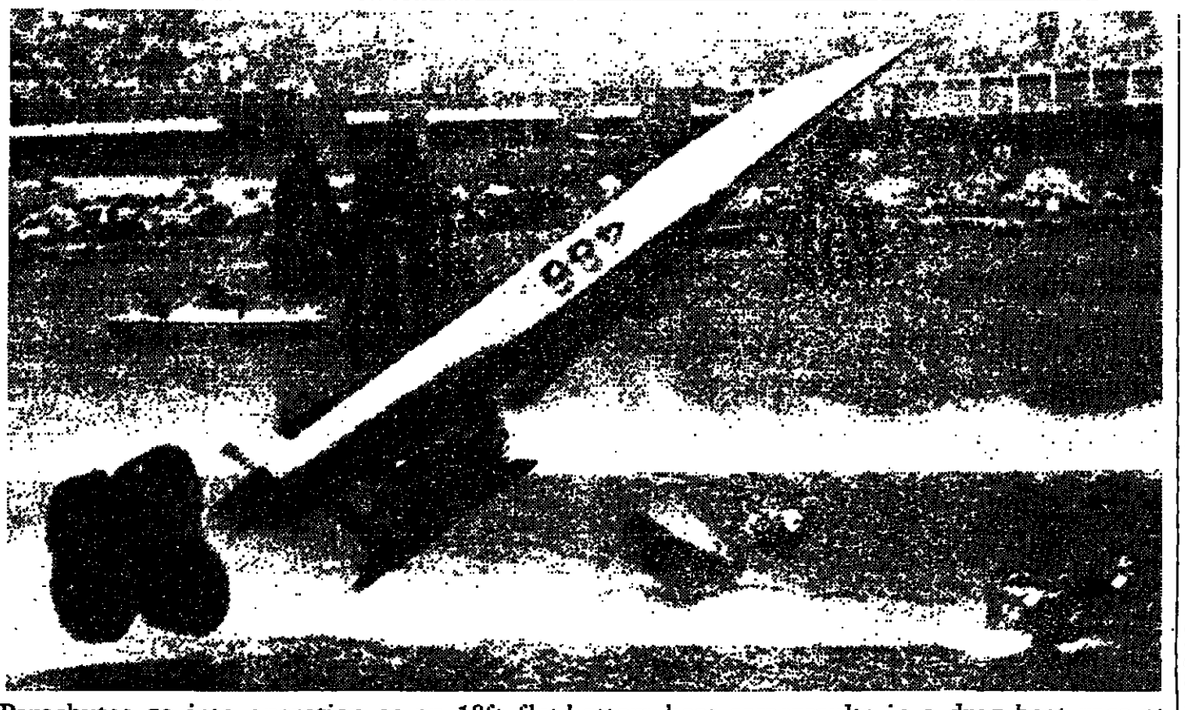
In fact, when I visited the Taiwanese Embassy last week, the trade attache's office was posting glossy catalogues to Thai and Chinese businessmen extolling the quality of the wide range of Taiwanese exports, *such as machinery and* metal products, handicrafts, textiles and food.

Senior embassy officials pretend not to be too upset by the change in Thai policy but there remains a hint of menace regarding future relations.

According to one senior Taiwanese diplomat, there are 2,000 Taiwanese technicians operating in a variety of businesses in Thailand under the approval of the Taiwanese Government. These include such industries as textiles, timber chemical, sugar, metal products and the fledgling oil refinery.

"These technicians have a very important role to play in Thai business", the diplomat said. If they left the oil refinery, "there would be no oil products for the thai electrical generating authority and then there would be no electricity for Bangkok".

Taipei, July 1.—Taiwan announced tonight that it had severed diplomatic relations with Thailand in view of the establishment of formal ties between Bangkok and Peking.—Reuter.



Parachutes go into operation as an 18ft flat-bottom boat somersaults in a drag boat race at Oakland, California. A parachute attached to the displaced driver, Nick Sfetku, has just begun to unfurl (centre) as he hits the water.

Few hopes on Ennals talks with Mr Smith

By Our Diplomatic Correspondent

Mr Ennals, Minister of State at the Foreign Office, reported to Mr Callaghan yesterday on his return from talks with Mr Ian Smith, the Rhodesian Prime Minister, in Salisbury.

While no great hopes were held out in London that the meeting with Mr Smith would open the way to a constitutional settlement in Rhodesia, the visit was regarded as an important step in sounding out Mr Smith's views.

Mr Callaghan will now consider Mr Ennals's report in deciding what the next move might be. It remains the British intention to call a constitutional conference when the parties concerned are ready for it.

Our Salisbury Correspondent writes: A large African National Council (ANC) delegation leaves Salisbury today for Lusaka where it will probably be told by other African heads of state to sort out its leadership problems that threaten to wreck the whole southern African détente exercise.

Reports in Salisbury said that the presidents of Mozambique, Tanzania and Botswana may also be in Lusaka to help President Kaunda of Zambia in further efforts to weld the ANC into a united team.

The 12-man ANC delegation, which includes significant *elements of the dissident* Zapu and Zapu factions, will be led by Bishop Muzorewa.

Bishop Muzorewa said in a statement: "After our meeting Mr Ennals, one of the things we decided was to consult and share with our colleagues both inside and outside Rhodesia and to reflect on all the talks we have had. We wish to look at where we came from, where we are and where we are going."

The visit to Lusaka is clearly a demonstration that there is a fierce determination in southern Africa that détente must not be allowed to crumble still further.

It is more than six months since Mr Smith released Rhodesian nationalists from detention and announced an immediate ceasefire in the guerrilla war. He also said a constitutional conference would be held without preconditions.

Since then there has been no significant relaxation in the war, and Rhodesians seem as far apart as ever on finding a place for a constitutional conference, which Mr Smith insists must be in Rhodesia

The ANC delegation is to leave in a Zambian aircraft from the Rhodesian Air Force base at New Sarum, near Salisbury.

Zambia considering petrol rationing

From Our Correspondent
Lusaka, July 1

Zambia is considering severe economic measures, including petrol rationing, because of the serious plight of her foreign reserves.

In a paper presented to the ruling party's National Council, President Kaunda has recommended much tighter control of money in parastatal firms and drastic cuts in imports.

"This National Council should, in order to protect our foreign exchange, turn to petrol rationing and to stricter limits on the importing of motor cars," the President said in his paper on the state of the country's economy.

He had harsh criticism of inefficiency and malpractices in parastatal companies which had cost the country millions of pounds.

The high price of copper in the early years of independence had given Zambia the illusion that it was a wealthy country. "We wasted money foolishly," he said. "We have thrown money around—as a party, government and as individuals."

Citing the main reasons for Zambia's economic plight, President Kaunda said that although imports had remained at almost the same level over the past five years in volume, the cost had risen by 62 per cent.

He said that there had been a study carried out into parastatal companies involved in the production of essential commodities.

This had shown massive increases in costs, far above the increases in sales and revenue. He blamed this on inefficiency, extravagance and corruption.

In one case, he said, a milling company had been taken over 20 months ago "but this has been time enough to upset the business".

"In just six months between the first and third quarters of last year, head office expenses jumped by 71 per cent. Motor vehicle expenses increased 144 per cent, salaries 108 per cent, travelling 136 per cent and entertainment 167 per cent"

In the companies investigated, local expenses had increased during the past three years by well over 20m kwacha (about £14m).

The cost of living had risen by over 40 per cent in the past five years, said President Kaunda.

S W Africa terrorists training in Angola

From Our Correspondent
Johannesburg, July 1

Between 2,000 and 3,000 recruits from the South-West Africa People's Organization (Swapo) are being trained as terrorists in Angola for action in South-West Africa, a senior military officer said today.

Brigadier J. Marais, head of South Africa's military forces in the disputed territory, made the statement at the town of Outjo, half way between Windhoek, the capital, and the Angolan border.

Although his assertion may appear hawkish and typically military, it fits in with recent reports from Angola that a former Swapo senior official is running operations for Unita, one of the three main Angolan liberation movements. Swapo draws most of its support from the Ovambo people, whose homeland is on the border with Angola, but many Ovambos also live on the Angolan side of the frontier, which is hardly more than a wire-reinforced line drawn across the face of Africa without regard to ethnic separations.

Brigadier Marais said today that there were no indications that Swapo had abandoned plans for terrorist warfare. Civil conflict inside Angola had given the organization an opportunity to intensify its preparations.

The Brigadier said that at present, Swapo was the only identifiable threat to South-West Africa, so far as unconventional warfare was concerned. He added that it had lost much of its political influence. Brigadier Marais's remarks today support suggestions that one of the best ways to solve the South-West African issue would be to let Ovamboland secede.

The idea has been mooted by Mr Jannie de Wet, the Commissioner-General for South-West Africa. His idea is that Ovambos inside the territory should unite officially with Ovambos on the Angolan side and form their own state.

At a conference in Windhoek this weekend, leaders of five racial groups—the Hereros, Damaras, Namas, Basters and Coloureds—agreed to push ahead for a constitutional meeting. There were no members at the meeting from Swapo.

Nixon policy on energy 's abandoned

From Our Own Correspondent
Washington, July 1

A new plan for an energy policy was submitted to Congress yesterday. It implicitly abandoned President Nixon's Project Independence.

Mr Nixon warted America to be self-sufficient in energy by 1985. The new Energy Research and Development Administration (ERDA) calculates that America will not be self-sufficient before 1995.

Dr Robert Seamans, ERDA's administrator told a press conference: "It is one thing to carry out the development and take a relatively small number of astronauts on highly experimental-type missions. It is another thing to put into being in this country an energy delivery system, an energy conservation system that will satisfy the needs of over 200 million people."

Korea beating angers U S

Washington, July 1.—The United States expressed serious concern today over the beating yesterday of an American Army major by North Korean border guards at the border village of Panmunjom.

"We are instructing the United Nations Command to take a strong protest against these totally unprovoked actions by the North Koreans at Panmunjom", the State Department said.—Reuter.

Israel trial of nurse goes ahead after judges' ruling

From Our Own Correspondent
Jerusalem, July 1

A confession by an Arab nurse from Royston, Herts, that she had tried to recruit members for the Al Fatah guerrilla organization has been ruled to be valid by three judges in Haifa district court. They rejected an attempt by Miss Muzna Nicola, aged 31, to repudiate it on the ground that it had been obtained by depriving her of food and sleep, threatening her family and refusing her permission to see a lawyer.

The judges said they would give their reasons at the end of the trial, which continued with the introduction of the confession as evidence. The confession described how she left her home near Nazareth to take a nursing course in Britain, where she was asked by an Al Fatah agent in London, Mr Maher Osman, to "work for the Palestinian cause". The proposal was made through a Palestinian friend, Mr Adib Abu Alwan.

In 1971, after hearing she planned to visit Israel to see her parents, Mr Alwan told her he knew several Israel Arabs who were ready to join Al Fatah and asked her to contact them, the confession said. It described how she contacted three men without success. One declined to join because he was about to be married, another because he had just got married and a third was away from home.

On her return to Britain Miss Nicola was paid £80, it was claimed. On a later visit to Israel, she decided there was little chance of recruiting Arabs as their life in Israel was "pretty good", so instead she gathered information on the situation of minority communities for Al Fatah, according to the confession. It said she could not remember receiving any money in return.

Before the judges' ruling, Mr Alwan, who is serving a prison sentence for Al Fatah activities, gave evidence and was declared a hostile witness after showing reluctance to confirm information in an alleged statement to police on April 9. He said he recalled giving money to Miss Nicola in 1971 but did not know how or what it was for.

He was warned by the judges of the penalty for perjury and later confirmed his police statement that he gave the nurse £80 for her expenses in Israel on behalf of the Al Fatah agent, Mr Osman.

Challenged by the defence counsel, Mr Alwan stuck by his statement but admitted that he would rather not have made it "if I had had the choice". Mrs Anisi Nicola said that when she saw her daughter at Tiberias on March 20 she was "very pale and cried all the time". Muzna did not recognize her at first, she said.

Workers defy Señora Perón over wage cuts

Buenos Aires, July 1.—Thousands of Argentine workers remained defiantly on strike today while trades unions and the Peronist movement seemed to be splitting over President Isabel Perón's decision to cut huge wage increases negotiated with employers.

About 10,000 metal workers were striking for the second day in the industrial city of Cordoba and in La Plata port, while state employees began an indefinite strike

The General Labour Confederation in La Plata also issued a statement promising to fight for higher wages, defying national union leaders who last night undertook to respect Señora Perón's authority.

The President's decision to limit wage increases to 50 per cent has also created unrest in the ruling Frejuli (Peronist) Party, causing a split in the Peronist block in Congress.

Union leaders, due to meet President Perón again tomorrow to continue their efforts to keep already negotiated wage deals, some of which exceeded 100 per cent, today held talks with Señor Cecilio Conditti, the new Labour Minister.—Reuter.

New York dustmen strike as dismissals begin

From Nicholas Fraser
New York, July 1

Mr Abraham Beame, the Mayor, laid off 19,000 city employees from 20 different departments as New York's "crisis budget" took effect today with the beginning of the new fiscal year. The announcement was made after a 14-hour "full discussion" in Albany of the city's fiscal problems had ended once again in deadlock.

The harshest layoffs were made in the police, fire and sanitation departments, where 10,000 employees received notices of dismissal. But the Mayor also gave warning that the budget was likely to affect the jobs of 21,000 employees in the Board of Education and the health and hospitals corporations, over whom he does not have direct hiring and firing authority. These agencies have been given the choice of achieving their economies by layoffs or equivalent savings.

The Mayor's decision has already brought New York City into sharp conflict with the militant dustmen's union. After losing a court appeal against the dismissals they have halted all collection of rubbish throughout the city. "There will be wildcats", said Mr John J. Delury, the union's president. "I, the Mayor, Christ Almighty, is not going to stop this".

The last dustmen's strike in the winter of 1968, lasted nine days and left the city scarred with small mountains of garbage. City officials regard this action as an attempt to head off the cuts by producing a crisis as rapidly as possible. "If they want to create a crisis, this the department to do it in", said a Sanitation Department official.

Mr Carey, the Governor, and Mr Beame are still discussing ways of heading off the crisis with Mr Warren Anderson, the New York state Senate Republican leader, who has consistently blocked the city's attempts to increase its taxes. But participants at yesterday's meeting said there was no specific plan and chances of an early agreement were slight.

By the afternoon, 30,000 tons of rubbish had piled up on New York pavements and groups of dustmen were preventing the private firms that service the city's restaurants from dumping their rubbish.

The Sanitation Commissioner, Mr Robert Groh, said the city would face a "health emergency" if the strike continued longer than two days. The city has responded by issuing a certificate of limited emergency.

It plans to set up disposal points where rubbish can be burnt. These will be manned by firemen to make sure the blaze does not spread. At the same time the striking men have been sent letters warning them that New York State law forbids strikes by public employees and that they face potentially severe penalties.

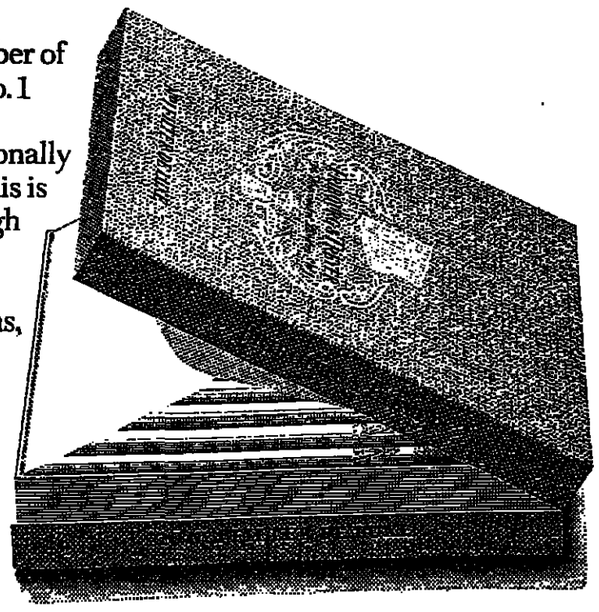


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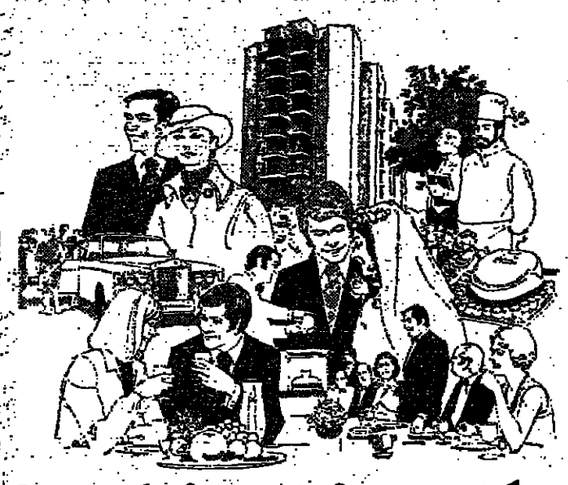
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PARLIAMENT, July 1, 1975

Government threat to lay down law: 10% on pay and dividends

House of Commons

Mr HEALEY, Chancellor of the Exchequer (Leeds, East, Lab), in a statement, said: The Government have been engaged in discussions with the TUC and CBI about measures to achieve a drastic reduction in the rate of domestic inflation. (Conservative shout of "About time".) For millions of our fellow citizens, particularly housewives and pensioners, this is the overriding priority. (Conservative cheers.)

It is a pre-condition for reducing unemployment and increasing investment. Although these discussions are not yet concluded I believe it is necessary for the Government to state their intentions now.

We are determined to bring the rate of domestic inflation down to 10 per cent by the end of the next pay round and to single figures by the end of 1976. This means the increase in wages and salaries during the next pay round cannot exceed 10 per cent. The same limit is being set for dividends.

The Government have already reached an advanced stage in preparing measures which are fair and just.

These measures will ensure that all sections of the community share the burden fairly.

They will set out how the 10 per cent limit for settlements should be expressed, for example, as a percentage or flat rate or some mixture of the two.

They will describe how the Government can satisfy the public that the limits are being observed.

They will also cover action to check the rate of price increases as the rate of pay inflation slows.

In addition they will deal with the central problem of compliance since it is no good having an agreed limit for pay increases unless we can be certain it will not be exceeded.

In particular we must be able to satisfy those who settle early in the round that they will not be left behind by later settlements at an excessive level. I know the TUC attaches special importance to this.

The Government will use a battery of weapons for this purpose.

For example, we propose to fix cash limits for wage bills in the public sector so that all concerned may understand that the Government is not prepared to foot the bill for excessive settlements *through subsidies or borrowing or* by loading excess costs on the public through increases in prices and charges.

We will take action through the Price Code to encourage compliance by private employers.

I propose to employ the system of cash limits more generally as a means of controlling public expenditure in the short term.

The Government are already consulting the CBI and TUC about the proposals. They welcome the efforts the TUC have already made to arrive at a plan for lower pay increases in the next round. We would much prefer to proceed on the basis of a voluntary policy agreed with the CBI and TUC.

But a voluntary policy will not be acceptable to the Government unless it satisfies the targets it has set for reducing inflation and includes convincing arrangements for ensuring compliance.

If, however, no agreement can be reached which meets these conditions, the Government will be obliged to legislate to impose a legal requirement on both public and private sector employers to comply with the 10 per cent limit.

The Government will announce their decisions in a White Paper to be published before the end of next week.

Sacrifices needed to get off inflationary merry-go-round: substantial lower settlements essential in next round of pay negotiations

SIR GEOFFREY HOWE, Opposition spokesman on Treasury and economic affairs (East Surrey, C), questioning the Chancellor on his statement, said—The whole House will welcome the fact the Government have at last begun to grapple with the nation's economic problems. Conservative MPs will welcome the extent to which the Government have accepted many of the policies which we have been urging upon them for months—(Labour protests)—and in particular the use of cash limits as effective control of public sector wages.

We are concerned at the possible implications of using price control in the private sector for the survival of profitable companies and therefore the continuance of jobs and employment.

We are gravely disquieted by the absence from his statement of any reference to two vital matters—the abandonment of any further plans for nationalization and reductions in public spending.

The fact that he has been obliged to make this statement today is a confession of the total failure of the last 16 months of profligacy, deception and incompetence. (Conservative cheers and Labour protests.)

MR HEALEY—He claims I have adopted some of his policies. The Conservative front bench have put forward so many different policies in the last few months, that it would have been impossible to avoid adopting some of them.

When he asks why I did not introduce cash limits before I might well put the same question *to him because the Conservatives* were in office for 3½ years up to last February and they did not do so. We are doing so now.

I am glad we have the Opposition's support in introducing this innovation into the control of our public expenditure.

On the question of using the price code as a sanction against excessive settlements in the private sector. I recognize that the code has been bearing heavily on many firms. It will not bear more heavily under the proposals I have put forward except for companies which make settlements in excess *of the level which I hope Sir G.* Howe will endorse.

Action along these lines is a necessary supplement to any policy for bringing down the rate of inflation.

He cannot conceivably argue there is any way of bringing down the rate of inflation quickly—that must be the common objective wherever we sit in the House—except through direct action on the level of wage settlements.

It is ridiculous to imagine that changes in the Government's policy for nationalization or cuts in public expenditure will have the slightest effect, even on the theory held by the monetarists, within the timescale in which it is essential for the country to produce results.

Contrary to pledges

MR HEFFER (Liverpool, Walton, Lab)—Certain aspects of Mr Healey's statement will not be welcomed on this side. In fact it is a clear indication that the Government are steadily moving towards a statutory incomes policy which is quite contrary to the election pledges which we gave to the people of this country.

For some considerable time an alternative economic strategy has been advocated by a number of Labour MPs, a strategy which should be adopted to avoid a statutory incomes policy and to deal with the serious crisis without resorting to the type of measures he has resorted to today.

MR HEALEY—Could I remind Mr Heffer that all of us on this side fought the last General Election on a manifesto which pledged to treat the reduction of inflation as our first and overriding priority?

I ask him to recognize the truth of the statement repeatedly made by leaders of the trade union movement in recent weeks—that it is not possible to bring the rate of inflation down, as we undertook to do, without achieving a substantially lower level of pay settlements in the next pay round than in the last pay round.

What I sought to do in my statement was to point out to both sides of industry that we would prefer to achieve this objective by voluntary means.

But achieve it we will and I believe the whole country will recognize this as our duty and I hope we shall have overwhelming support from the people of this country when we carry out this duty.

Statutory policy

MR PARDOE (North Cornwall, L)—The Chancellor will have the full support of myself and my colleagues in his defence of the national interest against his colleagues whether in the Cabinet or outside.

Will he recognize that to reduce pay increases to the level of 10 per cent will involve a substantial decrease in the standard of living of all of us in this country? How much will that decrease be?

It is impossible to create that decrease by voluntary means. Will he admit that what he has said amounts to acceptance of the position I and my colleagues have argued consistently for 10 years or more—that this country must have a statutory incomes policy or fail?

MR HEALEY—On the question of a reduction in living standards which would be implied by the limit of 10 per cent on pay increases, the spread of the effect would depend whether it was achieved by percentage increases all round or by flat rate cash increases.

In the latter case, the take-home pay after deduction of tax and superannuation contributions *would rise for people on two-thirds* average earnings, fall about 2.5 per cent for people on average earnings and substantially more for people above average earnings.

A percentage increase would spread the burden more equally and to that extent the person on below average earnings would not gain but stay roughly the same.

But the reduction required is nothing like as great as I have seen it stated in some newspapers. It would be temporary.

I believe there will be overwhelming public support for seeking to correct this damaging inflation by sacrifices now rather than remain on an inflationary merry-go-round which will ultimately destroy the whole of our society.

MR JAY (Wandsworth, Battersea, North, Lab)—He is right to take resolute action now. Will the House have an opportunity to debate this White Paper and his statement as soon as the White Paper is published?

MR HEALEY—Yes, I can give that assurance.

Extravagance

MR RIDLEY (Cirencester and Tewkesbury, C)—Does he think that these policies, whether voluntary or statutory, which have been tried and failed by successive governments over the past 10 years, can possibly succeed now when all know that the true cause of our present inflation is the gross extravagance of the Government?

MR HEALEY—I know he shares my view that the root cause of our current inflation is the fiscal profligacy of the Government of which he was once a member, but I do not believe it is realistic, and I would recommend him—who I know poses as a monetarist in these matters—to read a recent pamphlet by the guru of monetarism, Professor Martin Friedman, and his leading British acolyte, Professor Laidler, on what is different.

There is no possibility of achieving the type of reduction in the rate of inflation in a period of time which would be acceptable to the people of this country by the methods he espouses.

MR WIGLEY (Caernarvon, Plaid Cymru)—There is a grave discrepancy in terms of income levels between areas like central London and areas like Wales, Scotland and the north-east of England.

Will he seriously consider bringing forward a policy—if he imposes statutory control—which allows for an increase above the average in areas where the level of incomes are lower?

MR HEALEY—I take his point seriously, but the easiest way of securing this differential in areas of below average wages would be to attempt to form a limit which is based on a cash sum rather than on a percentage.

MR BIDWELL (Ealing, Southall, Lab)—Part of the British malady is not simply the rate of inflation but the rate of investment and what effect are these measures likely to have on that?

MR HEALEY—There is no doubt that investment is certain to increase if the rate of inflation can be brought down to the rate I have just indicated. It is difficult to conceive of any other means by which investment in the private sector can be increased without a similar fall in the rate of inflation.

MR TAPSELL (Horncastle, C)—The measures he has announced, welcome as they are, will go even further towards reassuring international opinion if he is able to tell the House that before we rise for the summer recess, he will be announcing a programme of immediate public expenditure cuts and bringing forward legislation to give him the reserve powers to keep wages at a minimum rise of 10 per cent.

MR HEALEY—I made it clear that the Government would have to make up their minds in the next week whether they can base reliance for maintaining the adequate level of wage settlements for the next 12 months on a national voluntary policy.

If they decide they are unable to place such reliance, they will introduce some necessary legal *framework for* policies probably involving some use of reserve powers.

On public expenditure cuts, I must point out that the problem in this country is not excess payments, it is not pressure of investment. We have a large number of unemployed, *our factories* are working below capacity, and to increase unemployment by cutting public expenditure could not in any sense help. This is well understood abroad.

If we went farther and took the advice of the Opposition front bench and cut public expenditure, and cut taxes at the same time, that would leave the public sector borrowing requirement unchanged.

MR POWELL (South Down, UUUC)—Increases in wages and prices are the symptoms and not the causes of inflation. Therefore, all policies whether voluntary or statutory which are designed directly to restrain increases in prices and wages are futile and irrelevant.

MR HEALEY—Mr Powell is well known in the House and the country for the absoluteness of his opinions and his belief that there is always only one simple answer to every problem.

The experience of government all over the world is that an adequate attack on inflation requires a mix of policies, adequate controls on money supply, in some cases direct action on prices, in other *cases direct action on wages.*

The search for one simple solution to our problems would lead the country into the same isolation as Mr Powell occupies.

MR MACKINTOSH (Berwick and East Lothian, Lab)—While those of us who represent the *lower paid and the people who* suffer from inflation will welcome his statement, the greatest danger to the future of this country is that we produce a package which will in *the next few weeks permit* a dribble down the hill by exceptions for anti-social hours, of special cases of one form or another which allow the present erosion by inflation to continue.

If there is sanctions in case the level he has set is being broken, will he take positive action, if necessary backed by law? If he does this, he will have the support of the whole country.

MR HEALEY—Mr Mackintosh does not seemed to have listened carefully to what I said.

I made it clear that unless the Government can satisfy themselves that in the coming week they can achieve a satisfactory voluntary policy which will guarantee a level of settlement over the year of no more than 10 per cent, we will not hesitate to take whatever legal action is required to impose an obligation on employers in both the public and private sectors to comply with the limit set.

On the question of allowing the policy to be eroded and diffused by exceptions, I recognize that there is a good deal in what he said, but the House and the country must recognize that over the course of the past year the overwhelming majority of anomalies which might justify exceptional treatment have already been met by exceptional increases.

MR MAURICE MACMILLAN (Farnham, C)—The problem of investment is not so much a shortage of finance, as the lack of will which undoubtedly is largely due to the unprofitability of the private sector.

Will the Chancellor assure the House that his measures will take full account of this and recognize the need of maintaining the corporate sector at a profitable level to ensure an incentive for investment and development?

MR HEALEY—I recognize that the rate of return on capital is the key to investment whether in the public or private sector, but what makes the problem much more difficult at the moment is that it is literally impossible to calculate a rate of return with inflation *running at current rates.*

I accept the sense of his question and that is why I think some caution is needed in the application of the Price Code to ensure that firms are not sent bankrupt and people thrown out of work by too stringent an application.

MR *CRAWFORD (Perth and* East Perthshire, Scot Nat)—The people of Scotland will not be made subject to statutory control over wages which will mean that the considerable differential in earnings between England and Scotland and Wales, will not be levelled out.

The statement will give added impetus to the self-government movement in Scotland, especially when the people of Scotland see that the best way of bringing us prosperity is by asserting their independence.

MR HEALEY—Scotland benefits substantially from union with England in the United Kingdom. (Cheers.)

Unacceptable

MR ATKINSON (Haringey, Tot*tenham, Lab)—By spelling out* minimum voluntary conditions he has, in fact, announced the introduction of compulsory wage control. (Some Labour cheers.) The policy he has outlined, representing a severe cut in wages while allowing a rise in unemployment, will be totally unacceptable to the TUC and the annual conference of the Labour Party. Further, the policy spelled out will be looked upon as a defiance of the m to upon which we contest last election. (Some cheers.)

The figures he has given inflation is to be cut fr present 25 or 26 per cent t cent by the end of 1976, n necessity mean something t or 7 per cent reduction living standards during the year. A cut of such brutali be unacceptable to the trad movement.

MR HEALEY—Nobody conscious than the trade movement—I have had with its representatives a level in recent months danger which inflation at rates is doing to the livin dards of working people—(cheers)—and even more hope of a happy retirem working people who see t of their pension funds, part trade union funds, being d by wage inflation at levels.

I hope I can rely on Mr to join me and the TUC in to fulfil the manifesto pl reduce inflation. The ment are paralyzed—(Con cheers and laughter)—a vented from taking ac reduce unemployment so inflation is at current rates

Now we are on radio the will appreciate the s humour with which the attempt to escape from th of trying to understand problem.

The only way to put the in a position to get bac employment is to bring inflation rate.

MR ALEX FLETCHER burgh, North, C)—After months we are back in al cisely the February 1974 On the 10 per cent limit o sector wage awards, wh will the Chancellor tak *example, the National* Mineworkers put in a cl 400 or 500 per cent ab limit?

MR HEALEY—He has suitable judgment on his ernment's record. I do n that as a description of the Government's record. (C tive cries of "Answer".)

MR DUFFY (Sheffield cliffe, Lab)—Important consultation and consent voluntary aspect are to en to adopt his correctives one on the Labour sid prefer any other policies one can say we have n vered with them—in view events a vital condition o is an unshakable and ir Government commitm sharply reduce inflation.

If the Chancellor sh necessary resolution and tween now and the end o bulk of the people, incl own movement, will sup in the policies he thinks site in pursuance of that

MR HEALEY—Mr Duf for the overwhelming m the British people when that judgment.

Danger of unemployment increasing still further

MR SKINNER (Bolsover, Lab) asked if the Secretary of State for Employment was satisfied with the current level of unemployment.

MR FOOT (Ebbw Vale, Lab)—I am naturally dissatisfied with the current level of unemployment. The figure is already much too high and the danger is that it will rise higher still for several months to come.

Partly the trouble arises from the recession which has hit many countries besides our own.

Our capacity to overcome the menace will depend on a combination of policies, not least and immediately upon our success in curbing inflation.

MR SKINNER—He should cast his mind back to the days of 1966 at the Labour Party Conference when we suffered from relatively minor unemployment. He then made that glorious speech attacking *the possible increase which* might have ensued from the economic package about to be launched.

Can he guarantee that he will not tolerate any foreseeable economic package presented this afternoon or later that sets out deliberately to make those dole queues even longer?

MR FOOT—My original answer is in conformity with my conference speech. I said that the present unemployment level was *much too high and I do not* qualify that in any sense.

One of the purposes of any Government measures to deal with the situation is to try to curb the increase in unemployment and bring down the unemployment figures

MR CORMACK (South West *Staffordshire, C)—Whatever the* Chancellor says this afternoon or at any other time unemployment is almost certain to rise in the coming months. Unless Mr Healey takes firm action, there will be the most dreadful rise this country has ever seen.

MR FOOT—*I am not complacent.* We have to take a whole series of measures to deal with the situation, including measures on inflation.

Throw away society: war on waste

MR LANE (Cambridge, C) was given leave to introduce the Stan*dardization of Containers Bill to* standardize domestic containers.

He said it was a modest contribution to the war on waste. Britain had become a throw-away, wasteful society. He was not advocating uniformity, which was dull and undesirable, but the variety of con*tainers in use had become* excessive.

The Bill would apply to materials including plastics and tin plate, as well as glass. The world's limited natural resources were being used up quickly, and there must be re-use and recycling on a large scale.

The Bill was read a first time.

Chief constable to report

SIR WILLIAM ELLIOTT (Newcastle upon Tyne, North, C) asked if the Home Secretary would call for a report from the chief constable concerned on the circum*stances which led to the conviction* of officers of the Northumbria Police Force for burglary.

DR SHIRLEY SUMMERSKILL, Under-Secretary, Home Office, in a written reply, said—Yes, once all related criminal and disciplinary proceedings have been completed, and the time allowed for appeals arising from those proceedings has expired.

New MP

MR PETER BOTTOMLEY, who won Greenwich, Woolwich West, for the Conservatives last Thursday, was introduced.

Training for women with family ties

House of Lords

LORD HARRIS OF GREENWICH, Minister of State, Home Office, moving the second reading of the Sex Discrimination Bill, said it was the most comprehensive and far reaching legislation of its kind in the world. The Bill was designed to combat unfair discrimination and to permit equality of opportunity. The scope was far wider than the proposals of the previous administration. The Bill made sex discrimination unlawful in employment, training and related areas.

It reflected the importance which the Government attached to effective enforcement by combining the right of individual access to remedies with the establishment of a powerful Equal Opportunities Commission for enforcing the law in the public interest.

The Bill permitted single sex training and encouragement for women or where relevant for men to take advantage of opportunities for doing work which members of that sex had not previously done. That did not amount to reverse discrimination. Rather it represented a necessary attempt to enable members of one sex to apply or to become trained for jobs which had been traditionally the preserve of the other sex.

The Government proposed to introduce further amendments to the Bill. One would permit the Manpower Services Commission and its agencies, industrial training boards or other bodies designated by the Secretary of State to arrange special training courses for women who because of family or domestic responsibilities had been out of the labour market.

Another would permit trade unions and other bodies to retain or introduce special arrangements to ensure that at least some seats on elected committees and other bodies were filled by persons of the sex which was not normally represented on them.

The other would affect education *rather than employment* and was designed to make it easier for the trustees of educational trusts whose benefits were restricted to members of one sex to open them up to both sexes.

LADY SEAR (L) said legislation by itself was not going to get rid of discrimination. The lawyers should now go to the back of the stage and the social scientists come to the front because what was being dealt with were the attitudes of people.

Change only took place if the individual or group internalized the need for the change. That was a far more difficult thing to do than merely to serve a non-discrimination notice.

LORD GARDINER said many men were competitive and had a great love of power while women were not interested so much in competition but in collaboration. Men were aggressive. More than 90 per cent of crimes were committed by men.

I would not (he said) like to see a world run by women but I have always thought there was no rational argument against the claim that there should be equality of opportunity for women.

LADY SUMMERSKILL (Lab) said she expected every manoeuvre and trick to be employed against the provisions of the Bill because there were those determined to cheat women just as women had been cheated since the 1919 Sex Disqualification Removal Act.

LADY WARD of NORTH TYNESIDE (C) said when she was an MP she was involved in a campaign to get a woman appointed as House of Commons Librarian, a post which had been advertised only for male applicants.

I got so annoyed (she said) that I contemplated trying to carry a bust of Oliver Cromwell into the chamber but I came to the conclusion that I was only a woman and I knew it would be too heavy.

During the war she took part in trying to get equal pay for a woman reporter employed by *Hansard* and when that battle was won, the undertaking had to be given that that victory would not be extended to try to get equal pay for women generally.

LORD MONSON said that this was a profoundly anti-libertarian Bill. It was ridiculous, unfair and unnecessary.

LORD HOUGHTON of SOWERBY (Lab) said it would be a mistake to expect too much from the Bill, welcome though it was. It could make no difference to large nubers of women in industry, catering, and the domestic side of hospitals and hotels. Equal pay would mean more to them than theoretical equality of opportunity.

The Bill was read a second time.

The Local Land Charges Bill passed its committee stage and the Litigants in Person (Costs and Expenses) Bill its report stage.

House adjourned, 7.50 pm.

Government studying tax on benefits in kind: proposals in due course

The Finance Bill was again considered in standing committee.

On Clause 32 (Benefits in kind: insurance against cost of medical treatment).

MR MacGREGOR (South Norfolk, C) said that the proposal in the clause to tax those receiving free insurance for medical treatment was discrimination against those whom the Government, through the social contract, had always sought to help, as he understood it.

It was a disincentive to companies trying to benefit their employees.

It was discrimination against smaller companies who tended to use the BUPA method, whereas larger companies and nationalized industries could use their own medical services.

MR NOTT, an Opposition spokesman on Treasury matters (St Ives, C), said that there was a case for looking at benefits in kind in general and trying to bring some order into the jungle, but the Government were not doing that.

There were employees, particularly in the public sector, who were receiving free travel, coal, and all sorts of benefits, and people working beside them were paying much more tax because they did not receive those benefits. There was nothing in the provision about free holidays—he favoured employers helping to provide holi*days for their employees.*

MR RIDLEY (Cirencester and Tewkesbury, C) said that some people received substantial benefits in kind and others did not.

Heaven help us (he said) if we had a gold mining industry. Presumably the miners would be allowed free gold.

Were the Government happy with a situation where trade union leaders were not taxed for the use of cars?

Taxing medical insurance for employees heightened the bias, the twisted sense of priorities, which so characterized the Government's actions.

They all knew that it was the Secretary of State for Social Services (Mrs Barbara Castle) who had insisted on the clause being inserted in the Bill, with her venomous fight against those who sought to have an alternative choice in health treatment.

MR SHELDON, Financial Secretary to the Treasury (Ashton under Lyne, Lab) said the Government were looking at fringe benefits. The clause would not take effect until 1976-77.

There were about 18,000 company group schemes in existence, covering half a million employees and their families. In half of these schemes the employee was covered at no cost to himself. It was currently costing provincial employers about £100 a year and London employers £125 for each employee.

The Government were not banning these schemes but were saying that this was a benefit and it was reasonable to tax it.

MR NOTT—Will the minister give an undertaking that when this review of benefits comes forward it will provide for miners' free coal to be included as well as private medical treatment? (Conservative cheers.)

MR SHELDON—Benefits in kind are being looked at by the Government.

He said that if an employee was obtaining a benefit it should be taxable in the same way as other emoluments.

MR DAVID HOWELL, an Opposition spokesman on Treasury and Opposition affairs (Guildford, C)—He has said there is to be a comprehensive review of all benefits. Will miners' free coal be included? (Conservative cheers.)

MR SHELDON—The Chancellor *is examining other benefits in* kind.

There have been indications that in certain areas benefits in kind have been increasing. We are taking action in those areas where we think it is justified and we are looking into further areas.

The examination has hardly begun in depth, otherwise we would have been able to come forward with the full legislation.

These measures will come before the committee in due course.

Certain benefits had been growing. The Government believed they ought not to grow as long as they *remained in their untaxed state.*

In general, if employers were going in for more lavish use of benefits instead of payments in salaries and wages, the alternative forms of emolument should be taxed in as near as possible the same way.

The clause was carried by 17 votes to 13—Government majority, four.

Shipbuilding takeover Bill delayed

DR DICKSON MABON (Greenock and Port Glasgow, Lab) asked the Secretary of State for Industry for a statement on the implementation of his proposals for the aircraft and shipbuilding industries.

MR VARLEY, in a written reply said.—The Government attach the highest importance to ending delay and uncertainty in these two industries. Because of pressure of other legislation, it is not now possible for the Bill to complete its passage in the present Session.

The Government have therefore decided that they will proceed with Bill at the very earliest opportunity in the next session, with a view to Royal Assent and vesting of the companies to be nationalized as early as possible in 1976.

The safeguarding provisions already announced and embodied in the Bill continue in effect.

The Government reserve the right should there be any deliberate attempt to frustrate the objectives of public ownership to introduce further safeguarding provisions which may be retrospective

It is essential in the national interest that in the period until vesting the industries should operate on a vigorous and ongoing basis, that contracts should be efficiently fulfilled and that constructive planning for the future should go forward.

The Government look to the industries to do this but is very ready to discuss with all parties in the industries what it can do to help.

If directors should feel in any specific cases that the safeguarding provisions are impeding normal business transactions they should *get in touch with my department* who will do their best speedily to resolve any uncertainty. I would expect such cases to be exceptional.

NEB will operate in Wales and Scotland

The Industry Bill was considered on report.

On Clause 1 (The National Enterprise Board),

MR CRAWFORD (Perth and East Perthshire, Scot Nat) moved an amendment which, he said, was aimed at seeking a categorical assurance from the Government that there would be no National Enterprise Board operations in Scotland.

We are seeking (he said) to nail down what are the intentions of *the Government and the Opposi*tion regarding the operations of the Scottish Development Agency and the National Enterprise Board.

MR WIGLEY (Caernarvon Pl Cymru) said a similar amendment related to Wales.

MR FAIRBAIRN (Kinross and *West Perthshire, C) said Scotland* was to have these two agencies which essentially would do the same thing: interfere in private industry.

MR GORDON WILSON (Dundee, East, Scot Nat) said that in the private and public sectors in Scotland there had been the common centralizing activity of transferring powers from the periphery to the centre. What sort of help would Scotland get from the NEB, which was to be a centralized body intended to operate throughout the United Kingdom? The whole worry in Scotland was about trying *to bring back power.*

MR HESELTINE, Opposition spokesman on industry (Henley, C) said the reason he would recommend his colleagues to support the amendment was that if one accepted, as he did, that there was nothing in the proposals for *the NEB that added meaningfully* to the solution of industry's problems as already coped with under the Industry Act, 1972, then it was right to resist the temptation to allow the NEB to spread its remit over the borders into Scotland and Wales.

The only thing that the NEB did in addition to the powers already provided under the Industry Act, 1972, or through the SDA and the WDA was to have as one of its main purposes the nationalization of profitable manufacturing companies. There was no shred of justification for saying to the people of Scotland or Wales that their private sector companies should cease to be run and managed and operated in Scotland and Wales but instead through a central administration in London.

MR KAUFMAN, Under-Secretary for Industry (Manchester, Ardwick, Lab) said that Mr Hesel*tine appeared to believe that the* Industry Act, 1972, was the last word in industrial policy

He had been asked for a categorical assurance that the NEB would not operate north and west of the border. He could not give that assurance. This would wreck the purposes of the Bill.

Some of the purposes of the Bill which would be wrecked by abolishing the activities of the NEB in Wales and Scotland would be three of the most important—the restructuring and reorganizing of industries on a United Kingdom basis; the extension of public ownership into profitable areas of *manufacturing industry; and the* exercise of the state holding company function and the provision of investment capital to companies operating throughout the United Kingdom.

The Scottish Development Agency and Welsh Development Agency would not be in conflict *with the NEB which would be* able to work in partnership with them.

The amendment was rejected by 240 votes to 217—Government majority, 23.

Interests have to be declared

An Opposition amendment to ensure that NEB members would be appointed from those with wide experience of industry, technology, commercial or financial matters, administration or the organization of workers was rejected by 238 votes to 215—Government majority, 23.

MR CYRIL SMITH (Rochdale, L) moved an amendment to provide that a register should be kept of the board members' financial interests of members of the National Enterprise Board.

He said that the minister had promised during the committee stage that the Government would return to the proposal made then that NEB members should make public disclosure of their interests. Why had the Government not amended the Bill? NEB members would take decisions that would vitally affect the future of British industry and would be spending public money in order to implement them.

We believe therefore (he said) that it is right that there should be public accountability for who they are, what they are, where their holdings are, and what shares they hold.

Anyone who did not want to disclose his interests need not serve on the board. The public were entitled to know what might be the motivating forces in the *actions that the board took.*

MR MIKARDO (Tower Hamlets, Bethnal Green and Bow, Lab) said in replying to the debate the Under Secretary could ask why this should be an obligation only on members of the NEB and not on those of the British Steel Corporation, National Coal Board, British Airports Authority, ICI or Unilever.

If he wished to urge upon the House that in return for this concession, MPs should support him in extending the principle to all sorts of other organizations, particularly those in which people had the responsibility of spending public money, he would be gratified by *the response.*

MR HUGH FRASER (Stafford and Stone, C) said it was important for members of the NEB that their interests should be shown. Nothing was more dangerous to them than innuendo which could easily come about unless there was a proper declaration.

MR KAUFMAN, Under Secretary for Industry (Manchester Ardwick, Lab) said the Government would like to look at the matter further in the light of the arguments that had been put forward and in conjunction with Sir Don Ryder between now and the stages in the House of Lords. They would like to look at the possibility of bringing forward a suitable amendment in the Lords.

MRS AUDREY WISE (Coventry, South-West, Lab) said she was at a loss to understand why it was at this stage the Government were suddenly impressed with the arguments put forward in March.

MR KAUFMAN said that when he arrived in the departm was no amendment pre deal with the matter standing committee. Nov had arrived there, he wo the Secretary of State, li to look sympathetically arguments.

He would ask Mr Smit draw the amendment so Government could look again with a view to bei possible, to table an amen the Lords.

Later, he said that if M prefer that the Governme accept the amendment then consider whether to suitably in the House that would be another al and he would be ready t to it. (Cheers.)

MR TOM KING, C spokesman on industry water, C) said in comm Opposition had said they like the wording of thi ment but accepted it in They were not convinced qualifications which shou to MPs were necessarily *members of the NEB.*

The weakness of relyi Lords' amendment was t was no guarantee that th amendment would be car Opposition's difficulty w was an amendment befo which they found unac *The Government had* honour an undertaking t in committee to bring fo that would be acceptable.

The amendment was agr

Public ownership role carried

On Clause 2 (General purposes and functions),

MR RICHARD WAINWRIGHT (Colne Valley, L) moved a Liberal amendment giving the NEB separate responsibilities for early identification of industrial *enterprises* vulnerable to overseas competition and of those likely to reduce employment drastically or cease trading. The amendment would also provide for immediate assistance by the Board to companies in trading difficulties and those whose international competitiveness needed safeguarding. It was discussed with a Conservative amendment, to delete the proposal in the Bill that one of the board's functions should be to extend public ownership into profitable areas of manufacturing industry.

He said the question was *whether the NEB's objectives* were to be framed in a vague way so nobody could assess whether the Board had lived up to them or whether it should have sharply defined requirements so Parliament and public could assess its work. The Bill as it stood was vague and had a smell of the doc*trinaire about it which* was irrelevant to Britain in the present financial distress.

MR HESELTINE, Opposition spokesman on industry, said the substance of the Liberal amendments lay in the Conservative amendment because it sought to take away the *political dogma* which had already done so much harm to the credibility of successive Labour administrations.

It was impossible to estimate the harm this had done in the minds of those who made investment decisions; they had to act in an environment they felt was hostile to the *concept of profit* and in which, if they made a profit, there was danger that the state would intrude and try to take it over. There was no clearer example of this harm than that caused to the aircraft and shipbuilding industries.

When people were asked *individually* for their views, as opposed to being asked as members of trade unions, they said they did not want nationalization. Yet the Government had powers, which the Opposition amendment sought to remove, which meant that companies, without anybody's agreement, could be taken into nationalization.

People did not want that, and they were not going to be asked if they *wanted it; it would just* happen. The Government would be able to buy up to 10 per cent of a company without the public or the Commons knowing that the Government were going to buy shares. If anybody suggested that was open government or democracy, they misunderstood what the words meant.

We are confronted (he said) with a piece of doctrinal legislation which serves only one purpose—to transfer power from where it now lies, which is broadly spread throughout large numbers of people, to the state.

*MRS WISE (Coventry, South-*West, Lab) said the NEB would be required rightly to consult workers but nowhere in the Bill was the mechanism for doing this suggested. A duty was imposed with no guidance as to how it should be carried out. A Labour backbench amendment proposed a moderate *exercise in introducing some desir*able experiment of industrial democracy. Nationalized industries had in the past fallen short of the democratic ideal.

MR RENTON (Mid Sussex, C), referring to an Opposition amendment to exclude banking and insurance from the companies which the NEB could become involved in, declared his interest as a bank director and said the purposes of the Government should be made explicit. The frustrations of management in many of the nationalized industries should not be allowed into banking and insurance.

MR RONALD THOMAS (Bristol, North-West, Lab) said the banking and insurance world had failed the nation. It was sufficient to look back over the past few years in terms of the property and land speculation boom. When the property boom went into decline banks and insurance companies provided what could only be described as speculative funds for the commodity markets. British banks had failed to respond to the needs of British industry.

MR KAUFMAN, Und tary for Industry, said th amendment would cause between setting up clearl purposes and ensuring board had the necessary in its powers to enable with problems which may been foreseen in drafting.

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The clause was approved votes to 66—Government ma 256.

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Mr Foot wants to do everything to avoid statutory pay control

House of Commons

MR BIFFEN (Oswestry, C) asked the Secretary of State for Employment for a statement on the current pattern of wage and salary settlements, and what representations he had received advocating their statutory control.

MR FOOT—The general level of settlements is too high and must be substantially reduced. I have received no representations advocating statutory control from any representative body.

MR BIFFEN—In view of the minister's long standing and honourable record of inveterate opposition to statutory control of incomes, would he say whether any measure of statutory control is a resigning issue ?

MR FOOT—I am grateful to Mr Biffen for having followed my career so carefully for so long. I hope he will be able to follow it in the future with the same acclaim and approval. (Laughter.)

MR HEFFER (Liverpool, Walton, Lab)—What is the minister's view of what is precisely an excessive wage claim or settlement ? Many MPs on this side believe that many wage settlements have not been excessive.

MR FOOT—I want to do everything possible to avoid both an increase in unemployment and the imposition of any statutory system of control of wages.

I believe that one of the best ways of helping to ensure neither of these perils occur is by carrying out the kind of proposals in the guidelines under the social contract and the kind of proposals which the TUC has been discussing with the Government for implementation over a coming period.

What I meant by settlements which are excessive—I agree there may be dispute about what is excessive or not—are those which are excessive under the guidelines of the TUC itself.

MR ADLEY (Christchurch and Lymington, C)—The Government's reliance on the social contract has meant simply wages rising, inflation rising, unemployment rising, a fall in the pound and a fall in confidence nationally and internationally.

The social contract is merely an excuse by which the Government avoids taking difficult decisions. The minister should stop asking and expecting Jack Jones or anyone else to play Prime Minister, and ask the Prime Minister and his colleagues to start trying to run the country properly. (Conservative cheers.)

MR FOOT—The social contract covers a range of policies which were agreed between the Government and the trade union movement, including arrangements on how pay settlements should be made.

We certainly intend that the whole of that social contract shall be carried into operation. The idea that it is solely concerned with wages is a complete misapprehension.

An understanding of the social contract still points the way to how we can overcome our problems.

Factors that tested the social contract guidelines

MR MACGREGOR (South Norfolk, C) asked the Secretary of State for Employment what was the latest annual percentage increase in average earnings.

MR BOOTH, Minister of State (Barrow-in-Furness, Lab)—The April index shows an overall increase in average earnings from a year earlier of 30.5 per cent for the industries covered.

MR MACGREGOR—It is figures like these which are causing the concern among informed observers abroad because they see clearly that they are way out of line with productivity at home and international increases in pay levels.

It is this most of all which is causing the increasingly disturbing lack of confidence in sterling at present.

What level of wage increase is compatible with the Government's modest target of getting inflation down to 10 per cent by 1976 ?

MR BOOTH—The social contract guidelines for wages were based upon an economic judgment made at that time. It has proved in practice that the movement towards obtaining the low pay target, equal pay, meeting obligations under threshold agreements and dealing with a number of serious problems that arose as a result of the statutory pay policy which preceded it, are measures which have led to an increase above what was judged necessary at that time.

It would be better if, instead of attempting to predict a figure which has been applied to the judgment of the present economic circumstances, I said that whatever guidelines are agreed for the second round need to be much more closely adhered to in the circumstances which exist now than was possible in those which existed when we came out of statutory wage control.

MR WILLIAM HAMILTON (Central Fife, Lab)—Whatever else might happen will there be no retardation of the progress made towards equal pay between now and the end of the year ?

MR BOOTH—I can say on behalf of all ministers in my department that we have consistently taken the view that whatever policies are followed equal pay must have the utmost priority.

MR HAYHOE (Hounslow, Brentford and Isleworth, C)—How long must it be before the Government will recognize that it is the social contract and not the so-called guidelines which has led us into our present disastrous situation ?

Is it not a fact that the wage settlements the Secretary of State referred to as other people calling excessive are the very ones he has described as being within the social contract ? (Conservative cheers.)

MR BOOTH—The factors which have put the social contract guidelines to the test existed and were created by the policy that preceded it. You cannot deduce from these circumstances, that the guidelines created the problems.

Insufficient progress with CBI and TUC

MR GOLDING (Newcastle under Lyne, Lab) asked the Prime Minister to list his official engagements for July 1.

MR HAROLD WILSON (Huyton, Lab)—I chaired a meeting of the Cabinet this morning. Later today I hope to have an audience with the Queen (Opposition laughter and shouts of "To resign ?") This afternoon I expect to be in my place and if, as I expect, I am convinced by the arguments, I shall be casting my vote or votes in the proceedings on the Industry Bill.

MR MAXWELL-HYSLOP (Tiverton, C)—Will he do his public duty at his audience with the Queen by advising her that he now has neither the confidence of this country nor this House nor anyone abroad ? That is public knowledge now.

MR WILSON—No. I am never guilty of misinforming the Queen about the true facts. (Laughter.)

MR LAWSON (Blaby, C)—In view of Mr Wilson's constant crowing about export performance, why is the pound doing so badly ? Is there a problem about confidence in the present Government ?

MR WILSON—Over the first five months of this year we have reduced the balance of payments deficit by a quarter of what it was. That is a 75 per cent reduction.

MR RONALD THOMAS (Bristol North-West, Lab)—Will be comment on the reports that indicate that the lack of intervention by the Bank of England, or the limited extent of that intervention, and the fall in the price of sterling, is part of the Government's overall strategy. (Laughter.)

MR WILSON—These are technical matters (Renewed laughter.) These are matters on which MPs may have sharply differing views. I do not in any way want to anticipate the Chancellor's statement.

MRS THATCHER, Leader of the Opposition (Barnet, Finchley, C)—Mr Wilson has said that one of the reasons for his delay in taking action was that he wished to proceed by way of consent. Has he obtained the consent of the TUC and CBI now ?

MR WILSON—We are in continuing discussion with them. (Opposition laughter.) A great deal of progress has been made. In our view, that progress has not gone far enough yet.

We believe that it is right for the Chancellor to set out the position. I am certainly not going to be told by Mrs Thatcher, who is not notable for consulting the TUC, or by anybody else, at what point we seek to consult and at what point we are supposed to go in for the policies of confrontation which she advocated when she was in government. (Opposition shouts of "Yes, you are".)

Wage settlements not mainly responsible

MR PETER MORRISON (City of Chester, C) asked the Secretary of State for Employment what was the rate of unemployment compared with a year ago.

MR FOOT—On June 9, 1975, the rate of unemployment in the United Kingdom was 3.7 per cent compared with 2.3 per cent on June 10, 1974.

MR MORRISON—Does he not agree that one man's excessive wage rise is another man's loss of job. Will Mr Foot in future consult the vast majority of trade unionists, who prefer a reasonable wage settlement and security of employment ?

MR FOOT—I agree that excessive wage settlements, as they have sometimes been described, can contribute to the level of unemployment, particularly when taking the figures over the past year.

It would be wrong to say that wage settlements are mainly responsible for unemployment. The main cause is the recession, which has hit the whole Western world.

MR PARDOE (North Cornwall, L)—The measures the Government will inevitably have to introduce will raise the level of unemployment to much higher than now. Has he considered his personal responsibility for this situation ?

Unemployment will have to be higher because of delays in bringing forward tough measures which the economic situation necessitates. How far has Mr Foot been responsible for the delays ?

MR FOOT—I do not accept any part of what Mr Pardoe says. Of course I accept responsibility as long as I am in this job. I have to answer for figures that are of a serious character.

We have to discover what are the causes of the figures and deal with them. Mr Pardoe has often submitted his argument as if the sole cause of this was a particular form of wages policy. I do not agree with him.

He added later—The nature of our unemployment today is different from that which we had in years past, in particular in the way the huge increase in oil costs has contributed to unemployment in this and other countries.

In some respects we have been more successful than other countries, and in other respects not so successful. We have to have a combination of measures to deal with it and the idea of having one panacea to deal with the situation is a mistake.

Parliamentary notices

House of Lords

Today at 2.30: Debate on Food White Paper. Debatable question on closure of residential colleges.

House of Commons

Today at 2.30: Industry Bill, remaining stages.

SPORT

Cricket

Kent end Lancashire's sequence

By John Woodcock
Cricket Correspondent

TUNBRIDGE WELLS: Kent (18pts) beat Lancashire (6) by 137 runs.

Rather less easily than had seemed likely in the early afternoon, but still with 14 overs to spare, Kent beat Lancashire yesterday. Lancashire's defeat was their first since Derbyshire beat them at the end of the 1973 season, 29 matches ago.

Kent's victory lifted them to fourth place in the table. A month ago they were in the last half-dozen. Since June 11 they have beaten Worcestershire, Sussex, the Australians and now Lancashire, in spite of being, at different times, without Denness, Asif, Julien, Graham, Knott, Underwood and Woolmer. Yesterday Shepherd, by taking Lancashire's first four wickets for only 17 runs, and Ealham and Knott, with a couple of wonderful catches, gave Kent their advantage. Only Reidy, with an enjoyably robust innings of 76, and Hughes, who batted for over two hours, did much to wrest it back.

Kent had declared after adding another 54 runs in the first 35 minutes of the day. This left Lancashire to make 304 to win in as many minutes. With Clive Lloyd having bruised a hand and batting no higher than No 6, there was never much chance of Lancashire getting them ; less still when Shepherd was soon among the wickets. He had David Lloyd well caught at second slip, wide of Cowdrey's right shoulder ; Kennedy and Pilling were both caught by Knott, and Engineer by Luckhurst at backward short leg.

Even for Knott, the catch with which he accounted for Pilling was remarkable. Having been surprised, like Pilling, by Shepherd's late movement off the pitch, from leg to off, Knott dived far to his right to get a hand to the ball. To catch Clive Lloyd at midwicket, Ealham threw himself for a hard on-drive, the sort of stroke that Lloyd was probably pleased enough with when he made it.

With all their players available, Kent have a difficult job to know whom to leave out. Purely as a batsman Ealham would struggle for a place ; yet as a fielder he has few peers. And waiting for their chance of regular first-class cricket are four or five young men who might already be getting places with some other counties.

Another thing : Underwood would be getting a great deal more bowling than he does with Kent if he were with anyone else. Here we are in July and he has bowled only 150 overs. He must be used, by now, to being kept waiting to bowl. When he came on yesterday Lancashire's innings was in its 48th over, the score 118 for six. The fall of so many wickets, so cheaply, to the medium pace was no doubt behind Denness's thinking, and that was fair enough ; but there are other days when Denness seems to use his seam bowlers for the sake of it.

At 92 for six, with three hours left, Kent were charging to victory. The delay in their progress was caused by Reidy and Hughes. In 70 minutes they added 55, Hughes doing the propping and Reidy the pulling and forcing. Reidy is a walking tree trunk. He played some splendid strokes and he is only 21. Assuming he would not have been playing if Hayes had, Hayes was not missed as much as he might have been. Reidy was caught off a skier at midwicket, at 147, going for a fourth six. Off the last ball before tea, Ratcliffe was caught at silly point, off bat and pad, but Shuttleworth hung on for 40 minutes and Kent must have been starting to get worried when Hughes was yorked by Underwood.

Three of the Kent side, Cowdrey, Johnson and Woolmer, and David Lloyd, of Lancashire, will be at Lord's today, playing for MCC against the Australians. If it proves to be Cowdrey's last first-class game there it may not be all that long before his son plays his first. Christopher Cowdrey is currently captain of Tonbridge and chasing his father's best aggregate when he was there of 1,033 runs in 15 innings in his fourth and last year in the team. With a possible seven innings to go, Cowdrey minor needs fewer than 350 to top that, and with an average of over 100 he must fancy his chance.

KENT: First Innings, 351 (B. W. Luckhurst 141, A. P. E. Knott 85; J. Simmons 5 for 89).

Second Innings

B. W. Luckhurst, l-b-w, b Shuttleworth	7
G. W. Johnson, l-b-w, b Simmons	61
M. C. C. Cowdrey, c Engineer, b Shuttleworth	2
*M. H. Denness, c and b Hughes	55
R. A. Woolmer, c D. Lloyd, b Ratcliffe	4
Asif Iqbal, not out	41
A. P. E. Knott, l-b-w, b Simmons	1
Extras (b 2, n-b 1)	3
Total (6 wkts dec)	172

J. N. Shepherd, A. G. E. Ealham, D. L. Underwood, K. Jarvis did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—7, 2—11, 3—88, 4—103, 5—160, 6—172.

BOWLING: Lee, 10—4—27—0; Shuttleworth, 8—0—36—2; Ratcliffe, 1?—1—42—1; Simmons, 2.5—1—6—2; Hughes, 21—1—58—1.

LANCASHIRE: First Innings 220 (D. P. Hughes 56).

Second Innings

*D. Lloyd, c Cowdrey, b Shepherd	5
A. Kennedy, c Knott, b Shepherd	18
H. Pilling, c Knott, b Shepherd	7
B. W. Reidy, c Ealham, b Johnson	76
†J. M. Engineer, c Luckhurst, b Shepherd	5
C. H. Lloyd, c Ealham, b Woolmer	11
J. Simmons, c Knott, b Jarvis	10
D. P. Hughes, b Underwood	19
R. M. Ratcliffe, c Johnson, b Underwood	4
K. Shuttleworth, c Knott, b Shepherd	3
P. Lee, not out	0
Extras (l-b 2, w 1, n-b 5)	8
Total	166

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—15, 2—26, 3—35, 4—45, 5—64, 6—92, 7—147, 8—152, 9—164, 10—166.

BOWLING: Shepherd, 24—10—50—5; Jarvis, 14—7—26—1; Woolmer, 16—5—49—1; Underwood, 15.5—9—16—2; Johnson, 10—6—8—1.

Umpires: J. G. Langridge and G. G. Pepper.

Ian Chappell sends for his 'tonking' bat

By Alan Gibson

SOUTHAMPTON: The Australians beat Hampshire by four wickets.

The Australians won not only the match but many friends by the way they went after the runs yesterday, in response to Hampshire's declaration. There were moments when it looked as if the task was too much for them, and since they have already lost one match against a county, they could have been forgiven for not risking the loss of another. However, led by their captain, who scored a splendid century, they had the pleasure of a win, over probably the best current English county, in the last possible over.

Hampshire declared at 2.30, leaving the Australians three hours to score 255. It was a fair declaration by Richards, who in this match has been captaining Hampshire for the first time. The pitch remained true, if slow, and he had no hope of getting the Australians out unless he tempted them a little. Well, if he had no hope of getting the Australians out, he did make the last hours much more interesting for another large crowd.

The Hampshire innings never recaptured the impetus of the previous evening. Richards had hardly got going again when Thomson hit him plumb on the box, or as that careful student of the English language, T. E. Jesty, would say, on the outer wall of the abdominal protector. It was not a vicious ball, though fast. Richards retired, but recovered, and would have batted again if necessary. He fielded, and will be fit for the Benson and Hedges semi-final today.

Turner, however, will not be. He had a knock on the hand from Thomson which examination showed to have fractured a fingerbone. Taylor is still unfit, too, but Gilliat and Stephenson are expected to play, so the prospects for Hampshire are not so gloomy as they seemed when Richards was limping off and in the pavilion every ancestral voice was prophesying woe.

Greenidge kept the innings going. Sainsbury, Rice and Murtagh assisted. The two young all-rounders are coming along nicely. They were both born in 1949, one in Chandler's Ford and the other in Dublin. Murtakh's fielding is a particular asset to him. Rice bowls and Paddy fields, is a phrase which will fall from the lips of as many cricket commentators as Korean correspondents.

When the Australians went in, Laird hooked Roberts for six in the first over, a sign of aggressive intent, not quite sustained for a while. Twice they lost a wicket when they were speeding up: Turner caught at slip, 43 in the tenth over, and Laird bowled by Jesty, 83 in the twenty-third. At tea the Australians needed 148, with 85 minutes left, and the Chappells together.

Ian Chappell had sent for what the twelfth man described as his "tonking" bat. His brother was out soon afterwards. The fraternally avenging tonks soon began. Edwards was out when Sainsbury came on—139 for four. The Australians needed 115 in the last 20 overs, with a slow left hander bowling at each end, luring them on.

They were lured, all right, only too much so, from the point of view of the prey. Richards probably should have given Roberts more bowling in the last hour. In a championship match no doubt he would have done. But by the time Roberts came back Ian Chappell was in such tonking command that it hardly mattered. He did get out—a marvellous catch in the covers—in the last over, but for some time it had been so clear the Australians would win that the tension had already relaxed, and the passion was spent.

HAMPSHIRE: First Innings, 351 for 7 dec (B. A. Richards 96, D. R. Turner 87, T. E. Jesty 79).

Second Innings

C. G. Greenidge, c and b Higgs	71
*B. A. Richards, rtd hurt	60
D. R. Turner, rtd hurt	5
T. E. Jesty, c Mallett, b Walker	7
J. M. Rice, c Marsh, b Mallett	25
A. J. Murtagh, not out	29
P. J. Sainsbury, not out	30
Extras (b 6, l-b 2, w2)	10
Total (3 wkts dec)	237

†M. J. Hall, R. S. Herman, A. M. E. Roberts, J. Southern did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—121, 2—184, 3—184.

BOWLING: Thomson, 10—0—63—0; Walker, 18—1—55—1; Higgs, 12—2—54—1; Hurst, 4—2—10—0; Mallett, 16—2—55—1.

AUSTRALIANS: First Innings, 344 for 6 dec (G. S. Chappell 86, R. Edwards 74 not out).

Second Innings

B. M. Laird, b Jesty	44
A. Turner, c Richards, b Herman	34
*I. M. Chappell, c Greenidge, b Southern	127
G. S. Chappell, c Greenidge, b Herman	13
R. Edwards, c Hill, b Sainsbury	6
†R. W. Marsh, b Sainsbury	16
M. H. N. Walker, not out	16
J. R. Thomson, not out	4
Extras (b 2, l-b 3, w 1)	6
Total (6 wkts)	256

A. A. Mallett, J. D. Higgs, A. G. Hurst, did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—43, 2—83, 3—107, 4—139, 5—195, 6—252.

BOWLING: Roberts, 7—0—29—0; Herman, 9—1—35—2; Rice, 10—1—54—0; Jesty, 7—1—23—1; Southern, 13.2—1—64—1; Sainsbury, 8—0—40—2.

Umpires: W. E. Alley and A. E. Fagg.

Somerset breathe again after collapse

By Keith Macklin

HARROGATE: Yorkshire (7pts) drew with Somerset (8)

The last hour gave us a finish of breathtaking tension. Geoffrey Cope, the off-spin bowler bowled the last ball of the day, and a wicket would have given him a hat-trick and Yorkshire the victory. However with 10 fieldsmen breathing down the neck of Somerset's last batsman, Alan Jones, and the crowd scarcely able to breathe, Jones prodded the delivery safely into the ground.

It has seemed that the obduracy of Brian Close and the ingrained caution of Geoffrey Boycott had sentenced the crowd to an afternoon of boredom after the run-glut of the previous two and a half days. Boycott, profiting from some thunderous hitting by Old, 86 in 82 minutes, had asked Somerset to score at 100 an hour for the remaining three hours. Boycott was obviously bearing in mind the way his bowlers had been massacred by Richards and Close the previous afternoon.

The response of Brian Close was that Boycott was asking a deal too much. He had anticipated a pursuit of 85 or 90 an hour, but 100 he regarded as impossible, even on this wicket which had already produced over 1,100 runs. Acting to instructions the Somerset batsmen ground out only 23 runs in the first hour, and they did it with the enthusiasm of Mr Bumble dispensing second helpings of gruel to the orphans.

Slocombe, goaded by the crowd's taunts, hit 20 in one over from Carrick, and then fell to a catch, and for such hot-headedness he was, I imagine, given a sharp verbal correction from his captain.

Then followed a distasteful incident. The West Indian, Vivian Richards, yesterday's hero, was given run-out from a sharp throw by Old. He obviously disagreed with the decision and walked slowly and scowling back to the pavilion, where he exchanged words of considerable heat and violence with a taunting spectator. Close came in, rock-like and unyielding, to take 25 minutes over one run. When he was stumped, the Somerset innings suddenly and dramatically collapsed.

The opening batsman, Taylor, bravely propped up one end, but the spin bowlers, Cope and Carrick were suddenly on top. Yorkshire claimed the extra half hour, and with the fourth and fifth deliveries of the final over Cope and the clustered fieldsmen dismissed Jennings and Moseley. Then came the enthralling last ball drama.

Arnold Sidebottom, the Manchester United centre half, has been given permission by the club to play cricket for Yorkshire until the county finishes its programme in mid September.

YORKSHIRE: First Innings, 387 (J. H. Hampshire 115, G. B. Stevenson 53; A. A. Jones 4 for 48).

Second Innings

*G. Boycott, c Taylor, b Botham	14
R. G. Lumb, l-b-w, b Burgess	52
B. Leadbeater, c Close, b Jones	15
J. H. Hampshire, b Burgess	18
C. M. Old, c Rose, b Close	86
†D. L. Bairstow, not out	72
P. Carrick, l-b-w, b Jones	41
G. B. Stevenson, c Jennings, b Breakwell	5
H. P. Cooper, not out	7
Extras (b 10, l-b 3, w 6, n-b 6)	25
Total (7 wkts dec)	335

G. A. Cope, A. L. Robinson did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—47, 2—79, 3—112, 4—114, 5—229, 6—317, 7—326.

BOWLING: Jones, 20—7—19—2; Botham, 15—6—40—1; Burgess, 18—4—60—2; Jennings, 6—2—18—0; Breakwell, 15—3—83—1; Close, 7—0—43—1; Richards, 2—0—11—0.

SOMERSET: First Innings, 423 for 7 (I. V. A. Richards 217 not out, D. B. Close 91).

Second Innings

†D. J. S. Taylor, c Cooper, b Carrick	41
B. C. Rose, lbw, b Old	1
P. A. Slocombe, c Boycott, b Cope	46
I. V. A. Richards, run out	1
*D. B. Close, st Bairstow, b Cope	1
G. I. Burgess, c Boycott, b Cope	4
I. T. Botham, c Bairstow, b Carrick	0
K. J. Jennings, c Old, b Cope	0
D. Breakwell, not out	0
H. R. Moseley, c Robinson, b Cope	0
A. A. Jones, not out	0
Extras (b 18, l-b 3, n-b 1)	22
Total (9 wkts)	116

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—8, 2—65, 3—65, 4—87, 5—99, 6—99, 7—116, 8—116, 9—116.

BOWLING: Old, 5—3—3—1; Robinson, 6—1—8—0; Cooper, 4—2—5—0; Carrick, 25—16—55—2; Cope, 23—15—25—5.

Umpires: H. D. Bird and D. G. L. Evans.

Easy to keep up with the Joneses

By Peter Marson

LEICESTER: Leicestershire (18 pts) beat Glamorgan (4) by 10 wickets.

Leicestershire's third successive victory in the championship was as speedy as it was emphatic at Grace Road yesterday when the curtain was rung down moments before luncheon at half past one. Glamorgan's demise was surprisingly swift, and could be directly placed to a disastrous beginning when Majid Khan and Alan Jones got out in the first two overs of the morning.

Glamorgan, who had begun needing 94 runs to avoid defeat by an innings, had little chance of winning the match but conceivably they might have saved it had Majid and Alan Jones each mounted an innings of substance. But Leicestershire's bowlers pocketed their wickets quickly. Alan Jones, aiming to drive Balderstone's second ball, missed and was bowled. Glamorgan would have thought that bad enough, but worse was to follow all too soon when Majid departed in the next over caught and bowled low down around his bootlaces by Birkenshaw.

So, Glamorgan's principles achieved nothing and together they left the stage with the score 98, the first act disappointingly a resounding flop. That saddened some of us for, after all, we had been robbed of a splendid opportunity of seeing the brilliance of Majid's batsmanship on a friendly pitch on which Dudleston and Steele had piled up 330 runs. Enough of this wailing for those limp and faded daffodils. What of the achievement, the killing instinct and the cunning of that spruce, wily fox ?

Having savaged and crippled his prey, he chased and harried unceasingly until, exhausted, his victim drew his last breath. Along the way, he had turned and fought spiritedly. That was when Eifion Jones and Nash came together. Before them, Francis, Davis and Solanky expired to some fine bowling by Balderstone and Birkenshaw and an intimidating inner and outer ring of fieldsmen. Illingworth made two catches from bat and pad at short leg and Solanky's defiance foundered when he was caught by Dudleston standing wide at mid-on.

It is in Eifion Jones's temperament to attack and he was properly rewarded with a mounting pile of runs and the applause of partisan sages who had been eager for the kill. "It upsets their equilibrium more than anything", said one, as Jones twice drove Balderstone to either side of the sightscreen for six.

When Nash joined in the six-hitting act and the innings defeat was turned aside, the tune changed. Someone said : "They're playing with us. This lad could go on to make two hundred now." Alas, not quite, but Eifion Jones and Nash forced two bowling changes and by putting on 59 runs in 40 minutes, Leicestershire's heroes, Dudleston and Steele, had to pad up and go out to make 28 runs that Leicestershire needed to win.

GLAMORGAN: First Innings, 264 (R. C. Davis 131).

Second Innings

A. Jones, b Balderstone	23
A. L. Jones, l-b-w, b Illingworth	19
G. P. Ellis, c Tolchard, b Birkenshaw	17
*Majid Khan, c-and-b, Birkenshaw	26
R. C. Davis, c Illingworth, b Balderstone	12
D. A. Francis, c Illingworth, b Birkenshaw	15
J. W. Solanky, c Dudleston, b Balderstone	8
†E. W. Jones, c Balderstone, b Steele	79
M. A. Nash, c McKenzie, b Steele	56
A. E. Cordle, c Balderstone, b Illingworth	1
G. D. Armstrong, not out	3
Extras (l-b 5, n-b 8)	13
Total	319

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—17, 2—65, 3—98, 4—98, 5—123, 6—126, 7—149, 8—208, 9—213, 10—219.

BOWLING: McKenzie, 8—4—17—0; Higgs, 7—3—2—0; McVicker, 6—2—9—0; Birkenshaw, 33—12—57—3; Steele, 5—3—9—2; Balderstone, 19—8—53—3; Illingworth, 15—3—50—2.

LEICESTERSHIRE: First Innings, 456 for 4 (B. Dudleston 172, J. F. Steele 158).

Second Innings

B. Dudleston, not out	20
J. F. Steel, not out	10
Extras (n-b 1)	1
Total (no wkt)	31

J. C. Balderstone, B. F. Davison, *R. Illingworth, N. M. McVicker, R. W. Tolchard, J. Birkenshaw, G. F. Cross, G. D. McKenzie, K. Higgs, did not bat.

BOWLING: A. Jones, 2—0—11—0; Francis, 1—0—5—0; A. L. Jones, 1.3—0—15—0.

Umpires: R. Aspinall and P. Rochford.

Notts v Surrey

AT NOTTINGHAM

Nottinghamshire (7pts) drew with Surrey (6).

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Innings, 256 (M. J. Harris, M. J. Smedley 55; Intikhab Alam 4 for 90).

Second Innings

†M. J. Harris, c Owen-Thomas, b Intikhab	16
B. Hassan, c Younis, b Arnold	93
*M. J. Smedley, c Younis, b Pocock	49
P. A. Watkinson, c Roope, b Intikhab	20
C. E. B. Rice, c Skinner, b Arnold	1
D. W. Randall, not out	86
P. D. Johnson, lbw, b Pocock	17
R. A. White, not out	38
Extras (b 15, l-b 10)	25
Total (6 wkts dec)	348

H. C. Latchman, B. Stead, W. Taylor did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—41, 2—135, 3—185, 4—187, 5—187, 6—239.

BOWLING: Arnold, 21—4—59—2; Jackman, 14—0—56—0; Intikhab, 37—11—103—2; Pocock, 26—9—61—2; Butcher, 12—1—39—0; Roope, 6—0—15—0.

SURREY: First Innings, 356 for 9 (G. R. J. Roope 80, D. R. Owen-Thomas 76).

Second Innings

A. R. Butcher, c Hassan, b Rice	4
*J. H. Edrich, not out	37
G. P. Howarth, b Stead	3
Younis Ahmed, run out	65
Intikhab Alam, not out	2
Extras (b 4, l-b 3)	7
Total (3 wkts)	118

D. R. Owen-Thomas, G. R. J. Roope, L. E. Skinner, R. D. Jackman, G. G. Arnold, P. I. Pocock did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS : 1—4, 2—11, 3—112.

BOWLING : Rice, 7—3—10—1; Stead, 4—1—13—1; White, 12—1—50—0; Latchman, 12—2—36—0; Wilkinson, 2—1—2—0.

Umpires : W. L. Budd and H. Horton.

Middlesex v Worcester

AT LORD'S

Middlesex (5 pts) drew with Worcestershire (7).

MIDDLESEX: First Innings, 284 for 8 (C. T. Radley 80, H. A. Gomes 93 not out).

Second Innings

M. J. Smith, c Parker, b Inchmore	32
*J. M. Brearley, b Gifford	150
C. T. Radley, not out	114
N. G. Featherstone, not out	5
Extras (b 5, l-b 8, n-b 8)	21
Total (2 wkts dec)	322

M. W. Gatting, †J. T. Murray, H. A. Gomes, P. H. Edmonds, F. J. Titmus, M. W. W. Selvey, M. J. Vernon did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—64, 2—306.

BOWLING: Holder, 17—2—66—0; Inchmore, 20—2—69—1; Senghera, 35—7—99—0; Gifford, 26—6—67—1.

WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings, 305 for 5 (G. M. Turner 63, J. A. Ormrod 154, E. J. O. Hemsley 64).

Second Innings

G. M. Turner, c Edmonds, b Gomes	18
J. A. Ormrod, l-b-w, b Edmonds	56
E. J. O. Hemsley, c Gatting, b Edmonds	6
J. M. Parker, c Vernon, b Edmonds	20
B. L. D'Oliveira, not out	59
G. R. Cass, l-b-w, b Edmonds	9
H. G. Wilcock, c Gatting, b Edmonds	2
J. D. Inchmore, c sub, b Edmonds	0
*N. Gifford, not out	10
Extras (b 7, l-b 3, n-b 1)	11
Total (7 wkts)	191

V. A. Holder, R. Senghera did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—58, 2—70, 3—95, 4—112, 5—152, 6—156, 7—161.

BOWLING: Selvey, 9—5—13—0; Vernon, 6—1—22—0; Gomes, 7—0—18—1; Edmonds, 31.1—12—65—6; Featherstone, 23—7—62—0.

Umpires: R. F. Barnard and W. E. Phillipson.

Gloucester v Northants

AT BRISTOL

Gloucestershire (7 pts) drew with Northamptonshire (6).

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings, 277 for 8 (R. D. V. Knight 128 not out, D. A. Graveney 53; J. C. J. Dye 4 for 52).

Second Innings

Sadiq Mohammad, c Cook, b Bedi	116
A. W. Stovold, c Sharp, b Dye	9
Zaheer Abbas, c Cottam, b Dye	0
R. D. V. Knight, c Virgin, b Willey	16
D. R. Shepherd, l-b-w, b Willey	28
J. C. Foat, b Bedi	1
*A. S. Brown, b Willey	0
D. A. Graveney, c Cook, b Bedi	16
†A. J. Brassington, c Cottam, b Steele	6
J. Davey, b Bedi	0
J. H. Dixon, not out	4
Extras (b 4, l-b 10, w 3)	17
Total	213

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—14, 2—14, 3—48, 4—105, 5—108, 6—109, 7—180, 8—203, 9—209, 10—213.

BOWLING: Sarfraz, 6—1—11—0; Dye, 9—2—20—2; Bedi, 34—10—78—4; Willey, 29—9—63—3; Steele, 10.2—2—24—1.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings, 252 for 9 (R. T. Virgin 79; D. A. Graveney 4 for 65).

Second Innings

*R. T. Virgin, c Sadiq, b Brown	56
P. Willey, st Brassington, b Graveney	7
D. S. Steele, b Brown	20
Mushtaq Mohammad, run out	10
G. Cook, c and b Sadiq	31
R. G. Williams, c and b Graveney	2
†G. Sharp, c Sadiq, b Graveney	17
Sarfraz Nawaz, c Dixon, b Sadiq	12
R. M. H. Cottam, not out	14
B. S. Bedi, not out	27
Extras (b 12, l-b 5, n-b 1)	18
Total (8 wkts)	194

J. C. J. Dye did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—14, 2—57, 3—52, 4—86, 5—97, 6—134, 7—134, 8—152.

BOWLING: Davey, 8—2—14—0; Dixon, 2—1—7—0; Graveney, 31—8—76—3; Sadiq, 16—5—56—2; Brown, 15—6—21—2; Knight, 2—0—6—0.

Umpires: J. E. Crapp and A. G. T. Whitehead.

Derby v Oxford U

AT BURTON-ON-TRENT

Derbyshire beat Oxford University by 81 runs.

DERBYSHIRE: First Innings, 335 for 7 dec (J. B. Bolus 151, A. J. Harvey-Walker 58).

Second Innings

J. B. Bolus, l-b-w, b Imran Khan	7
*†R. W. Taylor, c Brettell, b Wingfield-Digby	58
J. M. Ward, c Tavare, b Imran Khan	11
A. J. Harvey-Walker, c Tavare, b Imran Khan	37
Pervez Mir, not out	57
S. Venkataraghavan, not out	36
Extras (b 4)	4
Total (4 wkts dec)	190

P. J. Sharpe, D. Webster, R. S. Swindell, P. E. Russell, H. J. Rhodes did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS, 1—26, 2—62, 3—87, 4—94.

BOWLING: Imran Khan, 23—4—57—3; Fursdon, 5—0—27—0; Wingfield-Digby, 14—2—54—1; Wilkinson, 3.5—0—48—0.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY: First Innings, 227 (Imran Khan 51; R. S. Swindell 6 for 7?).

Second Innings

A. G. Hamilton, c Venkataraghavan, b Rhodes	3
P. B. Fisher, c Harvey-Walker, b Venkataraghavan	16
V. J. Marks, b Venkataraghavan	98
*Imran Khan, c and b Venkataraghavan	29
G. J. Tavare, c Rhodes, b Venkataraghavan	37
G. Pathmanathan, c Ward, b Venkataraghavan	0
D. W. Jarrett, c Taylor, b Venkataraghavan	4
E. D. Fursdon, c Taylor, b Venkataraghavan	14
A. R. Wingfield-Digby, c Russell, b Venkataraghavan	3
D. Brettell, not out	6
D. J. Wilkinson, c Russell, b Swindell	1
Extras (l-b 3, n-b 3)	6
Total	217

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—3, 2—56, 3—148, 4—149, 5—155, 6—165, 7—201, 8—205, 9—208, 10—217.

BOWLING: Rhodes, 10—5—18—1; Pervez Mir, 10—4—21—0; Swindell, 12.4—3—66—1; Russell, 9—2—29—0; Venkataraghavan, 27—8—77—8.

Umpires: A. Jepson and R. Julian.

County championship

	P	W	L	D	Btg	Blg	Pts
Essex (12)	9	5	1	3	28	29	107
Lancs (8)	9	5	1	3	26	31	107
Hants (2)	9	5	3	1	24	30	104
Kent (10)	9	4	3	2	26	34	100
Leics (4)	9	4	0	5	29	21	95
Yorks (11)	10	3	1	6	29	34	93
Warwk (9)	9	4	4	1	15	29	84
Nhnts (3)	9	3	4	2	18	34	82
Notts (10)	9	2	3	4	26	36	81
Glam (16)	9	3	4	2	21	29	80
Somrst (5)	9	2	3	4	26	32	78
Surrey (7)	9	2	1	6	24	28	72
Worcs (1)	9	2	3	4	22	31	73
Middx (6)	9	2	3	4	18	28	66
Derby (17)	9	2	3	4	12	35	61
Sussex (13)	9	1	6	2	16	28	54
Glos (14)	9	0	6	3	17	22	39

1974 positions in brackets.

Today's cricket

TOUR MATCH
LORD'S: MCC v Australia (11.30 to 6.30).

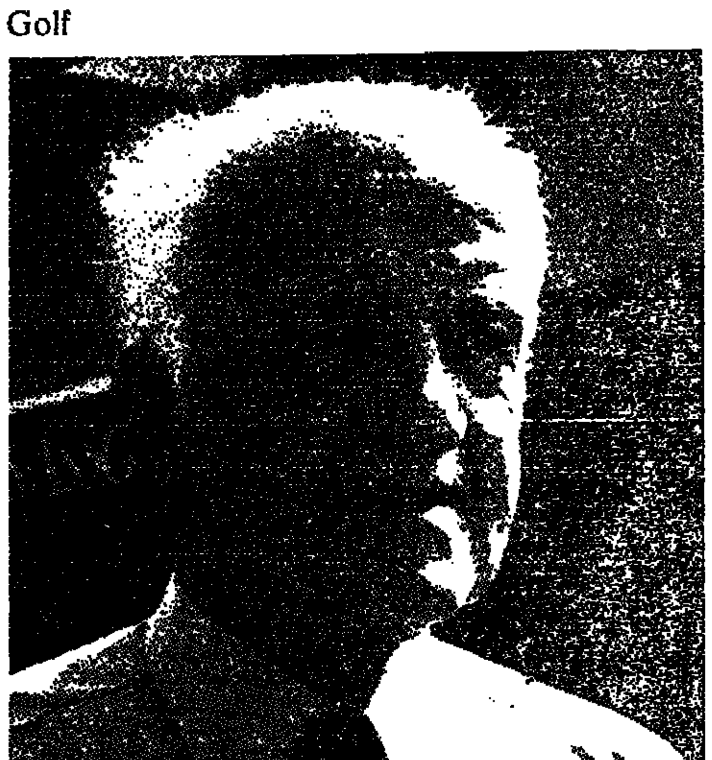
BENSON & HEDGES CUP (Semi-final round 11.0 to 6.30)
LEICESTER: Leicestershire v Hampshire.
BIRMINGHAM: Warwickshire v Middlesex.

OTHER MATCHES
HARROGATE: Yorkshire v D. H. Robins's XI (11.30 to 6.30).
ALDERSHOT: Army v Oxford University (11.30 to 6.30).
SWANSEA: Glamorgan v Cambridge University (11.30 to 6.30).

SECOND XI COMPETITION
BLACKPOOL: Lancashire II v Warwickshire II.
LUTTERWORTH: Leicestershire II v Middlesex II.
GUILDFORD: Surrey II v Sussex II.

MINOR COUNTIES
RADLETT: Hertfordshire v Cambridgeshire.
ST GEORGE'S: Shropshire v Staffordshire.

Golf



William Adwick . . . lovely striker of the ball at 82.

Record round belittled by Adwick's figures

By Lewine Mair

Though James Martin, the 50-year-old former Ryder Cup golfer, set a new course record at Longniddry with a two-under par 66 and stepped into the lead at the halfway stage of the Ben Sayers-Strathclyde Hotels senior professional championship, the day belonged to William Adwick without a doubt. Adwick is 82.

After an outward half of 42, this lovely striker of a ball came home in 36 to beat his age by four shots. Adwick's figures for the inward half, from tees which were only a little further forward than those used by the younger professionals, were: 4-5-4, 4-4-4, 2-4-5.

According to his son, who himself had a 73, Adwick had arrived at Longniddry with his clubs in a terrible state. "The first thing I did", said the younger Adwick, "was to take them into the professional shop to roughen up the grips on the irons and to wind up odd bits of string on the woods".

Though he plays most days on a par three course at Weybridge, Adwick's idea of good practice is "to sit and think". On Monday night, after his opening 88, he had been mulling things over for some time when suddenly he announced to his son and daughter-in-law that he had found out what was wrong.

A loose right hand, he explained at the end of his round, had been causing him to miss putts: "What I did today was to hold my putter tighter and to keep my right wrist firm." So badly wounded at Ypres in the Great War that he needed 17 operations before an infection which had spread from his right hand to his brain could be fully cleared, Adwick reckons that the secret of playing good golf in one's 80s is to keep fit.

He himself does exercises every night. The most useful is when he lies flat on his bed and leans over and touches his toes 20 times. Though Adwick was more concerned with the short putt that had escaped on the sixth green, the hole on which others were dwelling was the 152-yard 16th where, after a glorious seven-iron, he holed from 12ft for a two.

Martin was particularly pleased with his round yesterday in that, aside from a trip to the Opens of Zambia and Kenya, he has played no tournament golf outside his native Ireland this year. He came off the main tournament circuit in 1971 because of rising costs. With his original playing partner, Ian Crowe, having withdrawn because of fibrositis, Martin set out yesterday with Jack Murray, the 69-year-old professional from Cowglen.

Murray was out in 39, but, as he started for home 4, 4, reluctantly conceded that the heat was making him feel faint. After hitting a superb tee shot down the 12th, he collapsed. Martin called for help and his partner was taken to the club house. An hour or so later, however, this game competitor was walking round the club house protesting that he should never have been brought off the course, and that there was nothing he would like to do better than to return and finish his round.

135: J. Martin (Pine Valley), 69, 66. 138: J. Panton (Glenbervie), 67, 71; K. D. G. Nagle (Australia), 67, 71. 139: K. Bousfield (Coombe Hill), 70, 69. 140: R. M. Mandeville (West Herts), 72, 68. 141: E. E. Brown (Bathgate), 73, 68; R. Halsall (Royal Birkdale), 73, 68. 142: D. J. Rees (South Herts), 69, 73; C. O'Connor (Royal Dublin), 68, 74. 143: N. R. McDonald (Moor Hall), 73, 70; A. D. Locke (SA), 72, 71; R. de Vicenzo (Argentine), 69, 74. 144: R. W. T. Adwick (Woodlands Manor), 71, 73; M. Faulkner (Stoke Poges Park), 73, 71; P. Murphy (Royal Dublin), 70, 74. 145: H. Gould (Southerndown), 72, 73; S. S. Scott (Roehampton), 73, 72; G. de Wit (Netherlands), 74, 71; W. Aitkinson (Wheatley), 72, 73. 146: J. R. Haliburton (Wentworth), 75, 71; J. Taylor (East Kilbride), 75, 71; J. Crowe (Holiday Inn, Bermuda), 77, 69. 147: A. Poulton (Great Yarmouth and Caister), 76, 71; J. K. Ramsden (Porters Park), 70, 77. 148: G. Gledhill (West Sussex), 73, 75; B. J. Taylor (Brickendon Grange), 75, 73; G. El-Sayed Shuref (Egypt), 73, 75; J. E. Wiggett (Kings Norton), 72, 76; J. Gardner (Sandiway), 69, 79; D. Bell (Kings James VI), 72, 76; L. C. Lester (Astbury), 71, 77. 149: T. Morrison (Bruntsfield Links), 74, 75; G. Haussler (Minehead and West Somerset), 77, 72. 150: W. Lees (Shipley), 74, 76; W. H. Carter (Reigate), 75, 75; C. E. Hughes (Woodsome Hall), 74, 76. 151: J. W. Spence (Ulshwidke Hall), 73, 78. 152: R. G. Preston (Ilkley Hills), 75, 77; N. Sutton (retired), 74, 78; J. H. Ballingall (Bonnyton), 74, 78. 153: A. W. Sanders (retired), 74, 79. 154: T. S. Hughes (Newburn and Crookham), 78, 76.

Oak Brook, Illinois, July 1.—Billy Casper, a 44-year-old veteran, will make a record eighth appearance for the American Ryder Cup team at Ligonier, Pennsylvania, in the autumn. The 12-man team that will oppose Britain from September 18 to 20 was announced yesterday at the conclusion of the Western Open golf tournament, won by Hale Irwin.

Casper, who failed to make the cut in the Western, did not get any points but held on to his 12th and last position on the list from which the team was chosen. He has been an American team member since his first eligibility in 1961. The others are Jack Nicklaus, Lee Trevino, Al Geiberger, Tom Weiskopf, Hale Irwin, Gene Littler, Bob Murphy, John Miller, J. C. Snead, Ray Floyd and Lou Graham. Miller, Murphy and Irwin are new to the team. The others have played at least once.

Rain had washed out play on Friday and Saturday in the Western Open and the organizers decided to play the final two rounds yesterday. Irwin, who had scores of 71 and 73 in the third and fourth rounds, finished with a total of 283 (one under par), one stroke ahead of the South African, Bobby Cole, who, seven strokes behind after two rounds, came back with rounds of 70 and 69.

The three Britons finished well behind. Tony Jacklin had final rounds of 72 and 77 for a total of 295, Peter Oosterhuis (76 and 77) and Maurice Bembridge (76 and 75), both finished on 302.

LEADING TOTALS: 283: H. Irwin, 71, 68, 71, 73. 284: B. Cole (SA), 73, 72, 70, 69. 287: J. C. Snead, [illegible]. 288: T. Lister, [illegible]. J. Gilbert, 71, 71, [illegible]. Molina (Argentina), [illegible]. G. Brewer, [illegible]. [illegible] L. Graham, [illegible]. J. Simons, [illegible]. D. Graham (Australia), [illegible]. T. Watson, [illegible]. M. Barber, 71, 72, [illegible]. R. Yancey, [illegible]. Other scores: 295: A. Jacklin, [illegible]. 302: P. Oosterhuis, 77, 74, 75, 76; 302: M. Bembridge, 76, 75, 75, 76.—Reuter.

Horse show

Smith and Salvador take prize at Stoneleigh

By Pamela Macgregor-Morris

Harvey Smith and Salvador, last year's leading winners on the national scale, increased their seasonal takings by £300 at the Royal Show at Stoneleigh yesterday when they won the Radio Rentals Stakes, incorporating the Athlone Cup, the Royal Show championship, and the Warwickshire area international trial.

David Broome and Philco made the early running in the final, although the grey American thoroughbred had hit his third fence of the season in setting up a time of 41sec. But then Kenneth Pritchard achieved the first double clear on Longboot. His time of 43.1sec left him vulnerable, and though Judy Crago and Brevitt Bouncer were content with a slower round for second place, Smith pulled off the winning circuit in the fastest time of all, 40sec.

In the hunter breeding classes, the main interest of the morning, the new holder of the Edward, Prince of Wales, Cup, Robert Oliver's Highfield Diplomat, who won his crown at the National Hunter Show last week, fell from grace with a vengeance, finishing only fourth. It has become a tradition of this show that the form established at Shrewsbury the previous week should undergo a fairly radical revision. With the former steeplechase jockey, Dick Francis, bringing his singular judgment to bear, custom crystallized into inevitability.

The three-year-old class was the most hotly contested for some years, bringing together six regional champions, and was thus of abounding interest. In a turn-up for the book, the accolade fell on a black potential heavyweight from Suffolk, Mr A. W. A. Porter's Black Fen Royalist, by the premium stallion Shelley's Boy, who started his career on Exmoor, stood for some time in Cambridgeshire, and was sold last year to West Germany. A son of Premonition and Little Britain by Epigram, his son was bought as a yearling from Mr R. Gittens, who bred him out of a mare by Crown Law. He was second in his class here last year and beat Sammy Dasher at the Surrey show.

Sammy Dasher, holder of the Lloyds Bank championship, finished fifth here, in front of his sometime vanquisher, Commander Boy and behind the Shrewsbury and Malvern champion, Highfield Diplomat. The Royal Cornwall and Royal Highland champion, Clipston, finished third.

There was a great deal to like about the second, P. Hinchliff's bay Irish colt, Thurleston, by Faise You Ten out of Slainstown, reserve champion at Lincoln (to Sammy Dasher), a winner at Derby and champion at Stafford. He was bought as a yearling at Doncaster and is destined to go racing. Here he wound up as reserve champion after a day of spellbinding reversals.

These even affected the brood mare section, where Bill Manning, who has bred more good ones and owned more good stallions than most, demoted last week's champion brood mare, Cathy Garnette, in favour of Roland Mason's brown mare, Quickstep III, by the Yorkshire premium horse, Evening Trial, out of a mare called Fox trot.

CHAMPION BROOD MARE: R. H. Mason's Quickstep III.
CHAMPION FILLY: Miss P. M. Meakin's Penny Lane.
CHAMPION YOUNG HORSE: A. W. A. Porter's Black Fen Royalist; reserve, P. Hinchliff's Thurleston.
CHAMPION ARAB: D. R. Tearle's Zaid.
RADIO RENTALS STAKES: 1, H. Smith's Salvador; 2, K. Pritchard's Longboot; 3, Mrs B. Crago's Brevitt Bouncer.

AACHEN: Time trials: 1, W. Karl (West Germany) on Steno, 71.6sec; 2, E. Macken (Ireland) on Boomerang, 72.1; 3, J. Ernst (West Germany), 73.11; 4, H. Simon (West Germany) on Erle, 83.7; 5, H. Simon (Austria) on Lavendel, 84.7; 6, A. Schockemöhle (West Germany) on Warwick, 85.1; 7, R. Ferneyhough (GB) on Autumn, 87.2.

SPORT

Tennis

Roche gladdens the hearts of his admirers

By Rex Bellamy
Tennis Correspondent

For the second successive year three players from the United States have reached the semi-final round of the men's singles at Wimbledon. Yesterday all of them disposed of younger men who made their reputations on slow clay and have yet to make an effective adjustment to grass, though they are making what the hospital bulletins describe as "satisfactory progress". Connors beat Ramirez in straight sets in a match tougher than the score suggests. Tanner came from behind to defeat Vilas. Ashe lost only the first set to Borg.

Connors and Tanner are left-handed. So is Roche, who completes *the quartet. Okker led Roche* by two sets to one. The fact that Roche rebounded to win indicates that he has regained his fitness as well as his form. This is the first time he has been in the semi-final round since 1969, when Newcombe beat him. This year Roche did not play a *singles* tournament from January to June because he was recovering from an Achilles tendon operation.

This prevented him from preparing for Wimbledon which he entered chiefly so that he and Newcombe might defend the doubles championship. Newcombe was injured and had to scratch. But Roche stayed in because he had agreed to partner Billie Jean King in the mixed event. Then, at Nottingham, he discovered that whatever the lay-off might have done to his fitness, it had certainly done his tennis no harm.

Roche's story is altogether remarkable. Between 1965 and 1970 he appeared in a string of big finals, including Wimbledon's. But from 1969 to 1973 he was afflicted by persistent elbow trouble and had a series of operations, of which the most publicized (and seemingly the most effective) was at the hands of one of those *controversial healers in the Philippines.* He adjusted his technique, losing some power, but becoming increasingly sound.

In reaching the last four at Wimbledon, Roche has turned back the clock and gladdened the hearts of all who, over the years, have acquired an affection for this *ruggedly unaffected Australian.* He now knows what he did not know when Wimbledon began: that he can *play* five sets and win. Ashe, his next opponent, knows it too: and told us last evening that it was a long time since Roche had been in such boisterous, bantering good humour in the dressing room.

Okker, who beat Roche by two sets to one at Nottingham achieved a similar advantage yesterday. The trouble was, the men play the *best* of five sets at Wimbledon. That was a little too much for Okker. For three sets, the slim and whippy Dutchman moved like a greyhound, served well, and exposed Roche's relative slowness by neatly exploiting the angles. Roche's face looked more deeply lined than ever. During the changeovers, his hefty frame sagged in *the* chair. At 30 he was the younger man. But he did not look it. He must have had doubts about lasting the course, regrets about his restricted physical preparation.

But at the end of the second set Roche won a protracted tie-break by 13 points to 11, saving one set point and needing six before foxing Okker with a backhand down the line that was delayed just long enough to make Okker commit himself. Roche lost the *third* set. But an early break earned him the fourth. In the fifth he went to 4—1, two breaks up, when Okker served two successive double-faults and Roche finally passed him with a cross-court backhand, hit flat. Okker did break back once. But another double-fault left him 2—5 down and *Roche held his service to 15 for* the match. "Tom got a little tired towards the end", Roche said later. "I lobbed him a lot. His serve got a little shorter and that enabled me to move in and play better returns."

The Connors-Ramirez match was rich in character and ground strokes. The tennis had charm because, except for the crisp punctuation of Connors's spasmodic violence, the players were mostly manoeuvering for their openings, creating space for winning thrusts. Though the match had no binding pattern, it glittered with threads of distinction. The great bank of people rising from court one looked like a huge anthill when they were moved to applaud. On and off court, here was a spectacle to savour.

Ramirez is a Mexican with an erect, patrician bearing, an air of *natural authority.* His moustache is as carefully clipped as his accent. He looks like one of those dashing bandits in "High Chaparal". When Ramirez is playing tennis, José Feliciano should be singing in the background. Ramirez has a self-confidence that borders on conceit, which is by no means a handicap to the diligently ambitious. There is a calculated flamboyance about him, a Latin insistence on style in all things. But he is still essentially a clay-court player. *He* lacks Connors's range of pace. He could not hurt the bustling American. *He could only try to outwit him:* and Connors did not give him time for that.

Connors, occasionally tugging at those calf-length socks, mostly stayed at the back of the court. He pushed his shoulders back, stretched his chest muscles, and flung his racket at the ball as if intent on testing the manufacturer' products to the limit. He was not so much hitting tennis balls as lighting fuses. He had to generate his own pace, because Ramirez did not give him much.

Connors covered the court as a whole, and the net in particular, *as if avenging Davey Crockett and* Jim Bowie who died at the Alamo. When Ramirez broke to 6—5 in the second set, the Mexican raised an index finger and smoothed his moustache, making sure that everything was in place before he served for the set. Connors won the next four games.

Tanner and Vilas, from Lookout Mountain and Mar del Plata respectively, are not the most graceful of stylists. They are the kind who chop wood rather than carve it. Tanner has this frightening service, which tends to end *rallies rather than begin them.* He is also acquiring increased confidence in the rest of his game. Vilas is a poet built like a wrestler. He has a grip so unconventional that he should compare notes with Francoise Durr. He uses so much top-spin that his racket seems to surround the ball rather than hit it.



Roche . . . a man who has regained his fitness as well as his form.

Vilas was a craftsman doing the best he could with unfamiliar material. It was hard to believe *that* he was enjoying a game stripped of all its lyrical content. But he has made a thorough study of grass court tennis and, up to a point, has adapted his game accordingly. He reminded Tanner that service power alone cannot win matches, even on grass. But eventually and inevitably the fast-*court specialist subdued the slow-*court specialist. When Tanner was two breaks up in the fifth set, we knew that Vilas could confirm any provisional travelling arrangements he might have made.

The eight seeded men's doubles pairs and three of the four seeded women's pairs are all out of the running: royalty overwhelmed by a workers' revolution. Today, in the semi-final round of the women's singles, Mrs King plays Miss Evert and Mrs Court opposes Evonne Cawley. These are difficult matches to forecast. But the prospect of another Court-King *final, which thrilled us in 1970, is* enough to set the pulse racing.

Men's singles

Fifth round

J. S. CONNORS (US) beat R. RAMIREZ (Mexico), 6—4, 8—6, 6—1.
R. TANNER (US) beat G. VILAS (Argentina), 6—4, 5—7, 6—8, 6—2, 6—2.
A. R. ASHE (US) beat B. BORG (Sweden), 2—6, 6—4, 8—6, 6—1.
A. D. ROCHE (Australia) beat T. S. OKKER (Netherlands), 2—6, 9—8, 2—6, 6—4, 6—2.

Men's doubles

Third round

J. Fassbender and H. J. Pohmann (W Germany) beat R. C. LUTZ and S. R. SMITH (US), 7—9, 9—8, 6—3, 7—5.
R. D. Crealy (Australia) and N. Pilic (Yugoslavia) beat W. J. Austin and C. W. Owens (US), 3—6, 6—3, 5—6, 7—5, 13—11.

Fourth round

Fassbender and Pohmann beat R. L. Case and G. Masters (Australia), 5—7, 6—2, 6—1, 9—8.
C. Dowdeswell (Rhodesia) and A. J. Stone (Australia) beat R. A. J. HEWITT and F. D. McMILLAN (SA), 6—3, 6—4, 8—9, 9—8.
Crealy and Pilic beat C. S. Dibley and A. D. Roche (Australia), 6—1, 6—4, 6—4.
V. Gerulaitis and A. Mayer (US) lead G. Battrick and G. R. Stilwell (GB), 6—4, 6—4 (unfinished).

Women's doubles

Fourth round

Miss A. K. Kiyomura (US) and Miss J. Sawamatsu (Japan) beat Miss S. Barker and Miss G. L. Coles (GB), 8—6, 9—8.
Mrs J. B. Chanfreau (France) and Miss H. F. Gourlay (Australia) beat Miss C. M. EVERT (US) and Miss M. NAVRATILOVA (Czechoslovakia), 6—1, 4—6, 10—8.
Miss F. Durr (France) and Miss B. F. Stove (Netherlands) beat Mrs B. M. COURT (Australia) and Miss S. V. WADE (GB), 6—4, 6—3.
Miss R. CASALS and Mrs L. W. KING (US) beat Miss J. K. Anthony (US) and Mrs O. Morozova (USSR), 9—7, 9—8.

Mixed doubles

Second round

R. A. Lewis and Miss G. L. Coles (GB) beat J. G. Paish (GB) and Mrs J. G. Paish (Australia), 9—8, 4—6, 7—5.
R. L. Case (Australia) and Miss F. Durr (France) beat M. Cox and Miss S. V. Wade (GB), 7—5, 6—2.

Third round

F. D. McMillan (SA) and Mrs D. L. Dalton (Australia) beat V. Amritraj (India) and Miss K. A. May (US), 5—6, 6—3, 7—5.
J. KODES and Miss M. NAVRATILOVA (Czechoslovakia) beat K. G. Warwick and Mrs R. Cawley (Australia), 6—3, 6—3.
J. Yuill and Miss R. A. Whitehouse (SA) beat C. Dowdeswell (Rhodesia) and Miss L. Boshoff (SA), 5—6, 9—8, 6—3.
E. W. Ewert (Australia) and Miss M. B. Wikstedt (Sweden) beat J. J. Lovera and Mrs J. B. Chanfreau (France), 4—7, 7—6, 6—2.

Today's matches

CENTRE: Mrs R. Cawley v Mrs B. M. Court; Miss C. M. Evert v Mrs L. W. King; V. Gerulaitis and A. Mayer or G. Battrick and G. R. Stilwell v J. Fassbender and H. J. Pohmann. A. J. Stone and Miss B. F. Stove v A. D. Roche and Mrs L. W. King.

ONE: V. Gerulaitis and A. Mayer v G. Battrick and G. R. Stilwell (to finish), C. Dowdeswell and A. J. Stone v R. D. Crealy and N. Pilic; M. C. Riessen and Mrs B. M. Court v P. J. Cramer and Mrs I. Hume; N. Pilic and Miss M. Jausovec v A. Metreveli and Mrs O. Morozova; R. A. Hewitt and Miss R. Casals v R. Case and Miss F. Durr.

TWO: Plate. T. Sakai v T. Koch; R. A. J. Hewitt v L. Alvarez; Miss B. Cuypers v Miss F. Durr; R. D. Crealy v J. Loyo Mayo. C. Dowdeswell v I. M. Lloyd.

THREE. Plate: Miss P. J. Moore v Miss S. Barker. Mrs P. M. Doerner v Mrs J. G. Paish; Mrs I. Bentzer v Miss L. Du Pont, D. A. Lloyd v J. M. Yuill; S. E. Stewart v E. L. Scott.

FOUR: Veterans unless stated. A. E. G. Bailey and A. G. Kendall v B. Destremau and C. Haro; J. M. Chaban-Delmas and H. P. Pellizza v H. T. Barnlville and J. J. Fitzgibbon; J. D. Budge and G. Mulloy v J. W. Gunn and P. G. Nicholls; J. Drobny and E. Morea v E. Schmitt and O. Stubldreier. Plate: A. C. Neely v A. J. Stone.

FIVE: Veterans unless stated: N. Nath and P. Pandit v L. Bergelin and B. Patty; O. E. Hauser and J. P. Young v H. K. Richards and R. C. Sorlien; R. Abdesselam and J. Borotra v B. Axelsson and B. Blomquist; G. D. Oakley and G. L. Ward v F. Bultor and Z. Katona; Plate: Miss M. B. Wikstedt v Miss M. R. E. Kallpis.

SIX: Juniors: C. Buchwald v A. M. Jarrett; Miss G. R. Stevens v Miss E. Torkildsen; Miss D. Eastburn v Miss D. Alvanlic; Miss M. L. Blackwood v Miss L. J. Mottram; C. J. Lewis v D. Kulhal.

SEVEN: Juniors: J. Vanier v M. A. N. Osuna; Miss A. Pesce v Miss G. Paulsson; Miss S. Hanika v Miss R. Glasyer; Miss A. Russell v Miss A. Halbiers. P. Lamb v U. Eriksson.

EIGHT: Juniors: R. Zarate v E. Rizzarri; Miss S. Hagey v Miss M. Decrop; Miss J. Davies v Miss V. Andersson; Miss A. Rueng v Miss M. Tyler. Ashok Amritraj v P. Hagen.

NINE: Juniors: Miss R. Heller v Miss L. Korsten; Miss S. Cuellas v Miss R. Jordan; C. J. Kaskow v H. Gunhardt; R. Felix v L. Vargas; P. Elter v C. Buchwald or A. M. Jarrett.

TEN: Juniors: Miss I. Langermann v Miss A. Gerain; Miss G. Gouster v Miss H. Tsuberi; B. D. Drewett v F. D. Fontana, D. R. Becker or S. Krishnan v R. C. Bevon.

ELEVEN: Juniors: Miss P. Duppy v Miss V. Lockerio; Miss S. A. El Marshi v Miss N. Y. Chmyrieva, N. Odizor v A. F. Toubla; K. Fitzgibbon v G. Oclepoo.

FOURTEEN: Juniors: S. Suresh v S. C. Mondragon. K. Eberhard v J. Clerc or J. Yeaza. I. Haq v W. J. Maher. O. V. D. Wildenberg v V. McKown.

TO BE ARRANGED: R. A. Lewis and Miss G. L. Coles v N. Pilic and Miss M. Jausovec or A. Metreveli and Mrs O. Morozova. Followed by further plate matches as available.

Duel ends with a sad memorial

By Geoffrey Green

A match of colour and character we had all expected between Ashe, the dark Virginian, and Borg, the blond Swede, ended in a low key, anti-climax. *Sometimes* an anti-climax can be effective. This was merely sad.

Borg, so it appeared, slightly pulled a groin muscle at practice in the morning with Vilas (his doubles partner) and though he disguised it for two and a half sets, in the end it could lead only in one direction. Ashe, playing sensibly, mixing flashing backhand crosscourt passes, with bread-and-butter shots—a percentage game—came home in under two hours by 2—6, 6—4, 8—6, 6—1. He will now face a semi-final match against the one Australian left in the field, the bulldog, Roche.

Little did the beginning suggest the two coming events. In a trice Ashe was 0—4 down, gaining only three points on the way and looking for all the world as if he was steamed up in a turkish bath. That opening set indeed unwound in only 20 minutes as Borg unleashed some of *his two-fisted* crosscourt backhands that had his ebony opponent merely groping. One of these was perhaps the hardest stroke yet hit on the centre court. Ashe must have sensed and heard it rather than seen it.

That was that, we thought, until the tide slowly, at first almost imperceptibly, began to ebb. The second set went to Ashe when there were five breaks of service (nine in the match so far, in 18 games). As he broke again for two all in the third, Borg was seen to give Berglif, his coach, *sitting in the stand, a signal of* distress.

However he tried to disguise it, the Swede began to wear a harassed expression. But he kept going like a good king who is the slave of his people. There they all were in anxious, serried *rows, their faces made up of* small dots in the stands.

Earlier, the heat had stood on the court like an enemy. Now it was tempered by the advance of evening. Even so for Borg it must have been as uncomfortable as a prison cell. His head was slightly bowed as if listening to a judge's verdict. In the end it was the weakening of the flesh. It remained with him like a birthmark.

All this no doubt was small compensation to Ashe. Robbed of the expected authority across the net, it was his duty to take advantage of it and he did so in a well-mannered, kindly way. Every now and then he would unfurl a lightning, stylish backhand. In the end he had served 10 clear aces to Borg's five and the Swede weakened his own tottering cause with eight double faults. In the third set the games reeled off with little challenge. In eight of them consecutively, only nine points were won against service and at last Ashe broke for 8—6 and a lead of two sets to one.

That was the end. By now Borg, *who scarcely attacked the net for* an age, relying on long-range angled passes, was out of his depth like an abandoned ship. Both players—especially Ashe, who would surely have wished it otherwise—*will be sad in retro*spect that the fates left the duel with scarcely a memory. At the end Ashe walked away intent and observant, like a professor returning over the errors of the past to remedy them for the future.



Ashe . . . mixing flashing backhand cross court passes with bread and butter shots.

Young supporters of the Swedish tennis player, Bjorn Borg, absented themselves from school yesterday to join the 200 people queueing for centre court tickets for the quarter final round in the men's singles at Wimbledon. They admitted they were playing truant to watch Borg in action against the sixth seed Arthur Ashe.

Four girls from a Wimbledon high school had been queueing since 6 am: "We know we should be at school but we're only got to do revision for exams and we can do that tonight", said one girl.

Borg *had appealed to his young admirers not to scream and shout* during matches. He said that had already cost him several games in the tournament and yesterday match—his toughest so far.

S Africa's plea to stay in Davis Cup

Reginald Ncobo, a lawyer, arrived in London yesterday to join South Africa's delegation for the annual meeting of the Davis Cup nations tomorrow. *It is a meeting which already seems de*termined to throw South Africa out of the competition.

They are the holders and only the fifth nation to have their name inscribed on the handsome trophy since the Davis Cup started 75 years ago. But they won it by default when India refused to play them in last year's final. This alone incensed many of the other competing countries, especially those of eastern Europe.

This year things have become worse and South Africa are already through to the final of the South American zone—where they entered—without hitting a ball. First Mexico, a strong nation with Raul Ramirez to lead them, refused to play the South Africans and then Colombia cried off in the next round. At the moment South Africa are waiting to play Chile in the zone final and they have already changed their minds once about the match and have now *put it off until later this month.*

If it is played, South Africa should win it—and then there will *be trouble. Victory would put* them into the inter-zone finals against a European nation. The four most likely to oppose them would be either Russia, Romania, Sweden or Spain and only Spain would clearly agree to meet them. On the face of it, South Africa could still be making remarkable progress towards another final where their likely opponents would be Australia. Whether they would play them is anybody's guess.

The present rules of the competition allow only for the Committee of Management to throw out a country who, *in their* opinion, disrupts the competition. However, a new rule, if passed tomorrow, would enable the meeting as a whole to have that power. The Committee of Management can still expel any country once the current competition has started and they are coming under increasing pressure to do so.

This is where Mr Ncobo enters. He will stand side by side with Mr Franklin, the president of the *South African Lawn Tennis Union* and a high court judge, and argue that it is not South Africa who are causing the disruption but the other countries who refuse to play them.

Representatives now arriving at Wimbledon for tomorrow's meeting intimate that South Africa will have to go. Their continued presence in the Davis Cup is not only upsetting the competition but it is now costing money that other countries can ill afford to lose. The loss of a "gate" at last year's final, estimated at some £60,000, was a blow which they are not prepared to see repeated. South Africa have been expelled once before in 1969 after flour bomb throwing incidents in the match against Great Britain at Bristol. They were allowed back after three years.

Racing

Eclipse field out of the shadows

By Michael Phillips
Racing Correspondent

Fifteen years have elapsed since the last French horse won the Eclipse Stakes, but I think that we must be prepared to see the race won by a horse trained in France again at *Sandown Park on Satur*day. Early indications hinted that Benson and Hedges, the sponsors of the modern Eclipse Stakes, might have reason to be disappointed with the turnout for their semi-classic. Canvassing produced few takers, but happily the fear that there would be a small field and an anti-climax looks like being totally unfounded.

It is an expensive business these days staying in such a valuable race at such a late stage. Yet there were 17 acceptors for the Eclipse at yesterday's four-day forfeit stage. Even if three were to drop out *overnight, we would still* have the biggest field for the race this century. Perhaps the rumours that few were prepared to take on Nobiliary, the favourite, were responsible in the end for so many eventually taking up the challenge, even simply in the hope of being placed.

The place money in races such as this is succulent, as the connexions of Gold Rod experienced in his heyday, when he was placed behind the likes of Brigadier Gerard. Lester Piggott, who has been booked to ride Nobiliary, said yesterday that he did not expect so many acceptors. And he added that he feared Beau Buck and Mannsfeld the most.

Piggott's summing up of the race has been mirrored by Hills in the ante-post book which they opened yesterday. It reads 6-4 on Nobiliary, 7-1 Beau Buck, 8-1 Mannsfeld, and 16-1 bar those three. That, I would have thought, was a fair reflection *of the favourite's chance.* Piggott has already ridden Nobiliary to win the Prix St-Alary this season.

In the Derby Nobiliary dealt with all but the great Grundy, and I can still hear her trainer, Maurice Zilber, telling me soon afterwards that Nobiliary was a better filly at this stage of her three-year-old career than Dahlia was at the same time. Yet Ladbrokes have taken a different stand. They are offering 11-10 against Nobiliary. Royal Manacle is their second favourite at 8-1, and he is followed by Star Appeal and Speedy Dakota, both at 12-1.

The connexions of the favourite have taken a precaution to ensure that the race will be run at a gallop that will suit their hope by also declaring a pacemaker, Bellenoble. In the circumstances I will be more than mildly surprised if Ladbrokes are not flooded with requests to back Nobiliary at 11-10 this morning, and that those odds *will* not be available for long.

The international flavour can be gleaned by the knowledge that there is one acceptor apiece from Germany and Italy in addition to the five from France. *They* are Star Appeal and Mannsfeld. They both ran in the Champion Stakes *last autumn. Star Appeal did the* better of the two that day, finishing fourth. Forgetting for a second Nobiliary and her pacemaker, Beau Buck, Speedy Dakota, and Wronsky are the other French acceptors. Sir Penfro, who used to be trained in Ireland by Vincent O'Brien, but who *is* now based at Newmarket, Rymer, Taros, Wanlockhead, Anne's Pretender, Bold Pirate, Dial a Lad, Dominion, Royal Manacle, and Hunza Dancer are the other English acceptors.

Wishful thinkers will doubtless point to the fact that a rank outsider, the 33-1 shot Coup de Feu, caused what was probably the surprise of the season last year when he took this prize.

Caribbean Boy on course for another win

By Michael Seely

The six-year-old Caribbean Boy boasts a proud record at Great Yarmouth. In three visits to the seaside course Caribbean Boy has scored on each occasion. This afternoon he can make it four off the reel by taking the Saxmundham Handicap, a race he won last year *when trained by Deryck* Bastiman. In February Bastiman handed over his licence to his son Robin, the former amateur rider who has ridden winners under both codes of rules. In four outings this season Caribbean Boy has won only once, when taking the Vincent Handicap on this course at the end of May.

In his latest race, at Ayr, Caribbean Boy seemed to find the mile too far when sixth to Branded. Back to his favourite distance of seven furlongs, the Wetherby trained gelding may prove too sharp for another Yarmouth specialist Lunariver, Red Dawn and Day Two.

Bastiman's apprentice, David Nicholls, needing one more winner to lose his right to claim the 7 lb allowance has the mount on Caribbean Boy and the same combination of trainer and jockey can take the Ormesby Handicap with Beechwood Lad. There are only two runners here and on first sight it seems folly to oppose the top weight, Kung Fu, a good looking and progressive three-year-old, who carried 8 st 13 lb to a comfortable three-length victory *over Liebeslied and Mary* McQuaker at Beverley in his most recent run.

But, although Beechwood Lad's only two successes have been gained in selling races—Pontefract as a two-year-old and at Lanark earlier this season—he has been running with commendable consistency *in better company* recently. At Catterick Bridge early in June he was noted finishing strongly when seventh to Moray. Under three lengths in front of him that afternoon in fourth place was Carnlea House, later to win the valuable Andy Capp Handicap at Redcar for Denys *Smith. Although Kung Fu will* be a tough nut to crack this afternoon, I suggest he may find it difficult to concede 30 lb to Beechwood Lad.

Bastiman's other runner at Yarmouth is Town Tipp who *runs* in the Waverley Selling Plate, but the answer here may be provided by Crock of Ale, who although disappointing behind Pigsticker at Wolverhampton, showed enough when third to Tsarevich here early in June to suggest that he can win this humble race.

*Four rather disappointing handi*cappers contest the Debbage Handicap Plate, run over a mile and a quarter. Lord Aquarius has been beaten a long way from home in his last two races when seemingly in with a good chance at the weights. The issue today may lie between Verdant Green and Humber Pilot, who ran like a horse about to find his form when narrowly beaten by Desperate Dee and Kithairon at Thirsk. Verdant Green, by no means disgraced when sixth to Murton Craggs on the Saturday at Ascot, is a useful handicapper when he has matters all his own way, *and in today's small field* may recapture the form which carried him to a five-length victory over Pilgrim Soul and Tattenham Fair at the previous meeting here.

Breakthrough in stable lads dispute

Deadlock in the 10-week old Newmarket stable lads dispute has been broken. The trainers have now agreed to meet Transport and General Workers' Union officials under the chairmanship of the Advisory Conciliation and Arbitration Service at Cambridge next Tuesday.

The break-through follows separate meetings which union officials and trainers had with the ACAS in London last week. Tues*day's meeting will be without prior* stipulations and has been brought forward following a letter by the union's district official, Mr Sam Horncastle, to the ACAS chairman, Mr Jim Mortimer.

Mr Horncastle wrote: "Whilst I am pleased to note that the trainers have agreed to meet the trade union negotiators without prior stipulations under the chairmanship of ACAS, I am bitterly disappointed at the trainers' suggestion of not being able to meet us on neutral premises until July 10 due to the fact that Mr Thomson Jones (trainers' vice-chairman) has now left this country for the south of France on his honeymoon.

"I wish Mr Thomson Jones every happiness in his marriage, but fail to see why our meeting should be delayed for nearly two weeks for his return. My members, many of whom have families, are also seeking happiness instead of *the misery they have been sub*jected to for the past nine and a half weeks because the trainers refused to use the conciliation and arbitration services which were designed to prevent strikes from taking place."

Warwick results

6.45: 1, Ally Odell (7-1); 2, Has Sahib (3-1 fav); 3, Tabernacle (6-1). 15 ran.
7.10: 1, Bell-Tent (5-2 fav); 2, All My Love (12-1); 3, Carillon Saint (7-1). 10 ran.
7.40: 1, Proud Pathan (17-2); 2, Western Isle (5-2 fav); 3, Lennox Gardens (6-1). 9 ran.
8.10: 1, Heraclius (8-13 fav); 2, Fleur d'Amour (33-1); 3, Skimmer (10-1). 17 ran. Hyperion Girl and Gwenlly did not run.
8.35: 1, Singing Time (15-2); 2, Pleasure Garden (9-2); 3, Glen Gunie (11-8 fav). 11 ran.
9.5: 1, Prima Bella (9-1); 2, Vespucci (11-8 fav); 3, Orcis (12-1). 7 ran.

STATE OF GOING (official): Carlisle: hard. Great Yarmouth: firm. Brighton: firm.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS: July Cup, Newmarket and King George Stakes, Goodwood: Flirting Around. All engagements: Gay Spirit.

Folkestone results

1.25 (1.27): WALMER HANDICAP (3-y-o: £645: 7f)
Roman God, ch c, by Aureole II—Rose of Tralee (Mrs L. Nathan), 7-6 ... D. Cullen (7-1) 1
Deighton Prince, ch c, by Murrayfield—Marigold (G. Berry), 9-12 ... C. Rodrigues (11-4) 2
Saiba, ch f, by Roan Rocket—Cornflower (J. Blackwell), 7-2 ... M. Ballantine (20-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 5-4 fav Star Pupil (4th), 11-4 Yellow Brick Road, 10-1 Portfolio. 6 ran.
TOTE: Win, 50p; places, 23p, 20p; forecast, £1.48. C. Benstead at Epsom. 1 l, sh hd.

1.55 (1.56): HAWKINGE STAKES (2-y-o: £422: 5f)
Grace Aureola, ch f, by Roi Soleil—Auriam (T. Etherington), 8-8 ... G. Ramshaw (5-4) 1
Canmartin, ro f, by Double Jump—Sister Agnes (Mrs M. Berry), 8-8 ... D. Nicholls (evens fav) 2
My Mandella, br f, by Mummy's Pet—Sweeter (P. Cane), 8-8 ... I. Lynch (7-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 10-1 Mindlark. 4 ran.
TOTE: Win, 21p; forecast, 38p. B. Ingham, at Epsom. 1l, 15l.

2.25 (2.25): LEVY BOARD HANDICAP (£452: 7f)
Purple Princess, ch f, by Right Tack—Purple Queen (D. Robinson), 3-7-5 ... D. Cooney (3-1 fav) 1
Cassio, ch c, by Continuation—Candle Light (W. Payne), 3-8-0 ... W. Somerville (8-1) 2
Straight Cue, by Never Bend—Greencloth (R. Sutton), 3-7-7 ... P. Winter (33-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-4 Glenpatrick (4th), 5-1 Avon Royale, 8-1 Swagman, 25-1 Mirandola, High Bounty. 8 ran.
TOTE: Win, 35p; places, 15p, 28p, 40p; dual forecast, £1.00. M. Jarvis, at Newmarket. 3l, 2l.

2.55 (2.55): DOVER HANDICAP (£588: 1m 100yds)
Ready Market, ch c, by Philemon—Fair Exchange (Mrs O. Lusty), 3-8-8 ... F. Durr (5-1) 1
Comedy Turn, gr c, by Court Fool—Lebanon (J. Skelsey), 3-8-0 ... R. Reader (25-1) 2
Hamish, gr g, by Sayfar—Constance Spry (S. P-Gordon), 4-9-0 ... T. Stothard (12-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 8-11 fav Exquisite (4th), 15-2 Gypsy Baron, 16-1 Ovation II. 6 ran.
TOTE: Win, 60p; places, 30p, 41p; forecast, £6.70. R. Hannon, at Marlborough. 1½l, 4l.

3.25 (3.26): FOLKESTONE STAKES (£552: 5f)
The Collector, b f, by Connaught—Cherry Plum (Mrs D. Holmann), 3-8-8 ... A. Kimberley (10-1) 1
May Hobro, br c, by Crimson Satan—Consentida (Mrs C. St George), 3-8-3 ... G. Lewis (12-1) 2
Carol Singer, br f, by Great Nephew—Heavenly Sound (Col R. Poole), 3-8-2 ... P. Eddery (3-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-4 fav Gentle Melody, 4-1 Crorseve, 6-1 Talares, 9-1 Asnam, 33-1 Mom Music (4th), Bitty Boy, Hot Sand, Divine Queen, Lilima, Polly Lareeny. 13 ran.
TOTE: Win, £1.04; places, 34p, 27p, 17p. J. Hindley, at Newmarket. Sht hd, 6l.

3.55 (3.56): CHARING STAKES (2-y-o maidens: £502: 5f)
Wendover Lad, b c, by Bluerullah—Bright Tale (Mrs H. Pitt), 8-11 ... A. Bond (7-4 fav) 1
Miss Twitch, ch f, by Major Portion—Cornflower (J. Blackwell), 8-4 ... T. Bridge (16-1) 2
Swance Music, gr f, by My Swanee—Showboat (T. Martin), 8-11 ... G. Sexton (9-4) 3
ALSO RAN: 11-2 Bold Destiny, 12-1 Ebonite, 14-1 Amanda Blue, Red Rogue, 16-1 Pasquinbond (4th), 20-1 Cry for Joy, Sea Jet. 10 ran.
TOTE: Win, 76p; places, 16p, 16p; dual forecast, 48p. A. Pitt, at Epsom. 8l, 2l. Chrisdedor did not run.

4.25 (4.25): BARHAM STAKES (3-y-o maidens: £496: 1½m)
Taffeta, b f, by Shantung—Silk II (Mrs J. de Rothschild), 8-11 ... G. Lewis (7-4 fav) 1
Sally Bownes, ch f, by Majestic Prince—Success (R. Sangster), 8-8 ... A. Bond (9-2) 2
Baltic Ruler, b c, by Baldric II—Tickle Me (N. Simpson), 9-0 ... M. L. Thomas (7-2) 3
ALSO RAN: 5-1 Prince Ardent (fav), 11-2 Bervil's Boy, 14-1 Beach Guard, 25-1 Double Star (4th), Obligatory (8), Truckers Request. 9 ran.
TOTE: Win, 25p; places, 13p, 15p, 15p; dual forecast, 71p. B. Hobbs, at Newmarket. Nk, 4l.

TOTE DOUBLE: Purple Princess, The Collector, £24.35. TREBLE: Grace Aureola, Ready Market, Wendover Lad, £10.00.

Brighton programme

2.0 ROCK GARDENS STAKES (£516: 5f 66yd)
103 422-30 Grey Ghost (D. Prenn), J. Winter, 5-8-10 ... B. Taylor 6
106 0422-42 Bien Etonne (Exors of G. van der Ploeg), W. Marshall, 5-8-7 R. Marshall 8
107 0243-00 Boscobel (Lt Fairhaven), B. Hobbs, 5-8-7 ... G. Lewis 2
108 43000-0 Call-Me-Sally (M. Recal), A. Jones, 5-8-7 ... T. Rogers 1
109 4342-0 Chitose (J. Kashiyama), T. Gosling, 5-8-7 ... P. Cook 3
112 23-2020 God Willing (Mrs D. Abbott), G. Harwood, 5-8-7 G. Starkey 11
113 000-000 Kings Talisman (K. Geer), R. Hannon, 5-8-7 P. Perkins 10
115 00-0030 Radstone (G. Greenwood), A. Stevens, 5-8-7 R. Weaver 5 4
116 220-002 Ribramble (H. Gapsey), R. Smyth, 5-8-7 ... T. Cain 5 9
119 40-0 Sunny Bloom (G. Bashani), H. Westbrook, 5-8-7 A. Murray 7
120 322-020 Western Goddess (Mrs P. McAllister), P. Walwyn, 5-8-7 P. Eddery 5
7-2 Grey Ghost, 5-1 Bien Etonne, 4-1 Western Goddess, 6-1 Ribramble, 8-1 God Willing, 12-1 Boscobel, Chitose, 20-1 others.

2.30 WOODINGDEAN STAKES (2-y-o: £662: 7f)
201 040031 Muriska Prince (Mrs J. Geer), R. Hannon, 9-2 G. Starkey 7
202 12043 Royal Dart (S. Marks), R. Smyth, 9-2 ... P. Cook 6
203 0040 Assurance (G. Balding), Balding, 8-11 ... J. Curant 2
204 04 Autoway (Mrs Graham), W. Stephenson, 8-11 ... D. Ryan 4
206 00 Crimson Coon (H. Spearing), R. Sturdy, 8-11 ... J. Reid 5 3
208 00 My Boy To (G. Mavrommatis), P. Cole, 8-11 R. Edmondson 5
209 Spoofer (Miss Marlse), B. van Cutsem, 8-11 ... W. Carson 1
5-4 Royal Dart, 11-4 Spoofer, 4-1 Autoway, 11-2 Assurance, 8-1 Muriska Prince, 16-1 Crimson Coon, My Boy To.

3.0 FRIEND-JAMES HANDICAP (£1,137: 1m)
301 13000-0 Colonel Nelson (C) (G. St George), H. Cecil, 4-9-7 G. Lewis 2
302 0-04143 Mahblessed (CD) (R. Strudwick), P. Cole, 1-8-13 R. Edmondson 4
304 0-00311 Firetail (CD) (Mrs Russell), G. Hunter, 4-8-13 ... W. Carson 3
305 0-00401 Barshoba (D) (Mrs Keeling), W. Stephenson, 5-8-5 S. Hives 7 1
306 130-004 Sugar Moss (CD) (Mrs R. Smyth), Smyth, 6-8-0 I. Jenkinson 3 5
2-1 Firetail, 5-2 Barshoba, 7-2 Mahblessed, 5-1 Sugar Moss, 8-1 Colonel Nelson.

3.30 PRESTON PARK HANDICAP (£778: 1¼m)
401 014110 Belper (CD) (Lady Manton), J. Dunlop, 6-10-0 R. Hutchinson 1
403 01202-0 Caspardale (Miss Rigden), J. Bethell, 1-8-0 ... J. Mercer 3
405 2434-23 Pikey (Mrs Graham), W. Stephenson, 1-8-5 ... D. Ryan 4
406 440-332 Sob Story (Lady Aitken), D. Hanley, 5-7-7 ... D. Cullen 2
6-4 Belper, 5-2 Caspardale, 7-2 Pikey, 4-1 Sob Story.

4.0 HAILSHAM HANDICAP (3-y-o: £676: 6f)
402 013400 Ephesian (CD) (P. Gallagher), W. Marshall, 8-13 R. Marshall 3
501 0-01100 Gold Mark (D) (S. Harmsworth), S. Ingham, 8-9 G. Ramshaw 5
506 34-00 Sylvan Lady (Mrs Slader), H. Price, 8-4 ... A. Murray 2
508 412413 Chaplin (D) (Mrs Cook), D. Keith, 8-1 I. Jenkinson 5 1
510 000-0 Debbie Jane (J. Willis), H. Armstrong, 7-11 ... — 4
15-8 Gold Mark, 9-4 Chaplin, 7-2 Ephesian, 8-1 Sylvan Lady, 8-1 Debbie Jane.

4.30 PEVENSEY STAKES (£670: 1¼m)
601 000-000 Barbary Prince (B. Stallion), R. Sturdy, 5-8-11 P. Eldery 5
602 04-021 Deep River (D) (Mrs Parsons), J. Walker, 5-8-10 P. Madden 3
603 0000-00 Arrema (R. Clark), R. Sturdy, 1-8-8 ... A. Murray 7
604 000-000 Mexilhocira (A. Kidd), A. Stevens, 4-8-8 ... R. Weaver 5 4
605 0 Omar God (Mrs Hopkins), R. Wise, 6-8-8 R. Ballantine 1
607 004- Calhive (R. Patters), P. Cole, 5-7-8 ... R. Fox 5 2
608 40-30 Derry Dale (Miss Rigden), J. Bethell, 5-7-8 ... W. Carson 5
10-11 Deep River, 5-1 Derry Dale, 6-1 Calhive, 8-1 Mexilhocira, 12-1 Ardema, 16-1 others.

Great Yarmouth programme

2.15 SAXMUNDHAM HANDICAP (£605: 7f)
1 4-01320 Day Two (D) (R. Paynes), A. Mitchell, 9-13 ... F. Durr 1
2 0-01111 Lunariver (CD) (W. Jones), P. Robinson, 5-8-10 F. Whelan 7 3
5 0-20000 Beaufort Street (L. Stevens), A. Dalton, 4-8-9 G. Duffield 6
7 04-0010 Caribbean Boy (CD) (G. Berry), R. Bastiman, 6-8-8 D. Nicholls 7 8
8 021 Cootamundra (D) (G. Land), G. Vergette, 5-8-6 K. Lewis 3 10
9 2-20000 Brawby Lad (A. Bullen), D. Weeden, 1-8-5 ... R. Raymond 2
11 0244-21 Full Value (D) (Sir J. Thorn), D. Ringer, 5-8-3 G. Sexton 4
13 0-00002 Red Dawn (Mrs V. Rankin), J. Crossley, 5-7-13 A. Bond 5 5
14 441-000 Policy Lad (Mrs M. Collingridge), H. Collingridge, 5-7-8 M. L. Thomas 1
15 030-000 Bally Native (Mrs P. Sly), J. Powney, 3-7-7 C. Rodrigues 7
9-4 Lunariver, 5-1 Caribbean Boy, 9-2 Red Dawn, 6-1 Full Value, 8-1 Day Two, 10-1 Cootamundra, 12-1 Beaufort Street, 14-1 others.

2.45 WAVENEY PLATE (2-y-o: £345: 5f 25yd)
3 C30 Crock of Ale (Sir C. Clore), B. van Cutsem, 8-6 E. Eldin 1
1 0 Doddy Night (K. Spindler), W. Holden, 8-6 ... M. Thomas 6
5 0u00 Doon Founded (G. Draper), G. Wallace, 8-6 ... A. McManus 4
8 0000 Knight of Barter (Mrs J. Stafford), R. G. Ward, 8-6 P. Regan 7 3
9 04222 Over Twenty One (Mrs R. Lyon), P. Haslam, 8-6 ... J. Lynch 5
11 000000 Timjay (D. Gill), R. G. Ward, 8-3 ... G. Sexton 2
13 00 Town Tipp (Mrs A. Raphaelson), R. Bastiman, 8-3 D. Nicholls 7 7
11-8 Crock of Ale, 9-1 Over Twenty One, 6-1 Doddy Night, 10-1 Town Tipp, 12-1 Doon Founded, 16-1 Timjay, 20-1 Knight of Barter.

3.15 DEBBAGE HANDICAP (£690: 1¼m)
1 10-0004 Lord Aquarius (CD) (Mrs M. Stoute), M. Stoute, 9-0-8 F. Eldin 5
2 422-310 Verdant Green (CD) (L. Lanahlman), J. Oxley, 6-9-1 F. Durr 1
4 40003-0 Pincharlo (D) (M. Bouldmage), H. Collingridge, 3-8-12 G. Sexton 4
5 000-003 Humber Pilot (W. Hewitt), R. G. Ward, 4-8-11 ... — 2
6-4 Verdant Green, 9-4 Lord Aquarius, 7-2 Humber Pilot, 9-2 Pincharlo.

3.45 FILLIES' PLATE (2-y-o fillies: £483: 6f)
2 Beaumont Belle (Ld Fairhaven), R. Jarvis, 8-8 M. Thomas 2
4 03 Ebb and Flo (Mrs D. Haynes), H. Collingridge, 8-8 G. Sexton 1
11 0030 Oakley Supreme (R. Oakley), D. Ringer, 8-8 T. McKeown 3
12 000 Sils Maria (Mrs A. Villar), B. Hobbs, 8-8 ... G. Baxter 5
14 Typing (Mrs E. Burke), B. Hanbury, 8-8 ... R. Raymond 4
7-4 Oakley Supreme, 11-4 Ebb and Flo, 4-1 Sils Maria, 11-2 Beaumont Belle, 8-1 Typing.

4.15 ORMESBY HANDICAP (3-y-o: £656: 1¼m)
1 03-221 Kung Fu (D. Robinson), M. Jarvis, 9-5 ... B. Raymond 1
7 10-1340 Beechwood Lad (W. Dulmer), R. Bastiman, 7-10 D. Nicholls 7 2
4-5 Kung Fu, 11-10 Beechwood Lad.

4.45 OULTON STAKES (3-y-o fillies: £423: 1m)
1 00- Boniecour (J. O'Keeffe), H. Cecil, 8-11 ... F. Storey 9
3 Carabita (J. Tillis), R. Armstrong, 8-11 ... — 14
5 0000- Derring Maid (G. Hubbard), H. Collingridge, 8-11 G. Sexton 3
7 00-00 Early Summer (Lady Sefton), Doug Smith, 8-11 T. McKeown 5
9 4000-00 Great Firefly (J. Philipps), B. Hobbs, 8-11 ... G. Baxter 1
10 000-000 Lady Samantha (G. Blum), Blum, 8-11 ... M. L. Thomas 10
11 0 Le Sovereign (R. Gallun), R. Boss, 8-11 ... R. Oxland 7 8
12 0 Lettuce (T. Wyatt), B. Hanbury, 8-11 ... G. Duffield 13
15 00-0 Mountain Melody (I. Johnson), R. Tunness, 8-11 R. Raymond 2
16 0-0 Moygara (F. Needham), J. Winter, 8-11 ... M. Kettle 6
17 Pavement Artist (H. T. Jones), Thomson Jones, 8-11 J. Lynch 7
18 0- Perfect Bid (G. Coulandris), R. Armstrong, 8-11 D. Atkinson 15
21 0-0000 Rosalina (R. Payne), V. Mitchell, 8-11 ... F. Durr 11
25 0-240 Viverra (Lt Hunraven), H. Cecil, 8-11 ... A. Bond 5 6
7-4 Viverra, 7-2 Great Firefly, 9-2 Carabita, 6-1 Rosalina, 8-1 Early Summer, 10-1 Mountain Melody, 12-1 Boniecour, 14-1 others.

Carlisle programme

2.15 BECTIVE PLATE (3-y-o: £311: 6f)
2 000000 Cunning Trick (M. Taylor), K. Payne, 9-0 ... T. Lappin
3 0400-30 Look North (G. Brown), M. H. Easterby, 9-0 ... J. Seagrave
6 00104-0 Willyboy (W. Claydon), J. Etherington, 9-0 ... L. Brown
8 0-04024 Royal Darwin (D) (Mrs G. Wood), A. Balding, 8-11 J. Balding
17 000 Kintore (D. Buttery), J. W. Watts, 8-7 ... J. Lowe
18 00-0000 Meli King (S. Oyston), R. Hollinshead, 8-7 ... T. Ives
19 000-430 Swiftly (W. Blenkinsop), D. Williams, 8-7 ... C. Eccleston
20 00-0000 Blue Vale (Mrs R. Criggle), L. Docker, 8-4 ... N. Balmer 7
24 40-0204 Kaymay (W. Taylor), G. Wallace, 8-4 ... S. Salmon 5
33 Terrona (Mrs W. A. Stephenson), W. A. Stephenson, 8-4 T. Davies 7
2-1 Look North, 11-4 Royal Darwin, 4-1 Kintore, 11-2 Willyboy, 7-1 Cunning Trick, 10-1 Swiftly, 12-1 others.

2.45 CARLISLE LADIES' STAKES (£397: 1m)
1 304112 Sunny Jim (D) (Mrs L. Payne), K. Payne, 4-10-13 Miss M. Jemmeson 3
3 000 King Oak (W. Taylor), G. Wallace, 6-10-7 Miss M. Taylor 3
4 2311-32 Longacre (CD) (Sir M. Prescott), Prescott, 4-10-7 Miss R. Beaumont 3
7 030003 Fair Georgina (Mrs C. Pugh), R. Hollinshead, 5-10-4 Miss G. Hollinshead
8 402140- Olisa (R. Coleman), R. E. Peacock, 4-10-4 Miss C. Peacock 3
11 0 Maunby Princess (Mrs L. Raine), M. Naughton, 4-9-13 Miss J. Davies 3
13 00-000 Sherry's Dancer (Miss J. Rutter), E. Magner, 4-9-13 Mrs A. Harvey
16 0-01023 Prince of Light (D) (R. Tarrant), Denys Smith, 5-9-7 Miss J. Hansell 3
18 224 Busman's Holiday (G. Hamilton), C. Bell, 3-9-2 Miss L. Bell
19 0- Hall To Glory (Mrs R. Day), F. Freeman, 3-9-2 Miss K. Freeman
2-1 Longacre, 5-2 Sunny Jim, 9-2 Prince of Light, 5-1 Fair Georgina, Olisa, 12-1 Busman's Holiday, 14-1 others.

3.15 CARLISLE BELL (Handicap: £916: 1m)
4 221111 *Branded (CD) (R. Spencer), M. H. Easterby, 4-8-11* S. Salmon 3
5 C20144 Princely Mount (D) (C. Perks), R. Hollinshead, 5-8-10 T. Ives
7 034123 Baggin Time (C) (G. Baillie), T. Fairhurst, 4-8-9 S. Webster 5
8 422101 Darling Bob (L. Parnes), K. Payne, 3-8-8 ... A. Cousins
11 0400-00 Fiery Coin (CD) (Mrs F. Russell), D. Williams, 5-8-7 C. Eccleston
12 40-0443 Confluence (W. Carrick), W. Haigh, 4-8-5 ... E. Johnson
20 0-43200 Wild Easter (J. Hurst), R. Titterington, 5-7-7 A. Horrocks
5-2 Branded, 7-2 Princely Mount, 4-1 Confluence, 6-1 Darling Bob, Baggin Time, 9-1 Fiery Coin, 16-1 Wild Easter.

3.45 CASTLE PLATE (3-y-o: £311: 1m 1f 80yd)
2 0- Ayr Attraction (A. Reid), G. Wallace, 9-0 ... J. Skilling
10 00-000 Porto Rico (G. Dady), J. Etherington, 9-0 ... C. Dwyer
11 002 Prince Purnani (K. Gulraiani), S. Hall, 9-0 ... S. Perks
13 00-0000 Sandgate (J. Simpson), J. Calvert, 9-0 ... J. Seagrave
17 Auregirl (J. Havakin), J. Vickers, 8-11 ... G. Oldroyd
18 02-0200 Carmoni Queen (Mrs R. Taylor), G. Richards, 8-11 J. Reid 5
20 0-4 Yellow Cloud (J. Brown), N. Angus, 8-11 R. Hutchinson
6-5 Prince Purnani, 9-4 Yellow Cloud, 5-1 Carmoni Queen, 7-1 Porto Rico, 8-1 Sandgate, 12-1 others.

4.15 BURGH BARONY (Handicap: £388: 1½m)
1 030-000 Gift Acre (A. Lancaster), S. Mellor, 4-11-2 Mrs E. Mellor
3 04-0 My Swan (W. Dickie), J. Barclay, 9-10-13 ... Mr Barclay
5 0030 Calata Prince (D) (R. Jones), D. Plant, 7-10-11 Mr Tudor 7
4 002214 Triple (D) (J. Whitehouse), R. Hollinshead, 5-10-9 Miss S. Hollinshead 4
5 s-03200 Van Gogh (W. Taylor), G. Wallace, 6-10-8 Mr Taylor 7
6 2323-00 Ptarmigan (R. Dalby), C. Bewicke, 4-10-7 ... Mr Dalby 7
8 03-0400 King Caspar (Miss A. Hilditch), W. Swainson, 5-10-6 Mr Eslor
9 00-0400 Snow Leap (P. Murphy), J. Berry, 4-10-5 ... Mrs J. Berry 4
10 2300-40 Inkling (A. Le Blond), C. Lamb, 5-10-5 ... Mr Lamb
12 030-000 Farmers Boy (G. Thornton), B. Hall, 4-10-3 ... Mr Platts
13 00020-0 Raciomzer (A. Collins), W. Atkinson, 5-10-2 ... Mr Tinkler
15 00-000 Blue Gipsy (F. Freeman), Freeman, 3-10-1 Miss K. Freeman
16 400-002 Wroxham (E. Cousins), Cousins, 4-10-0 ... Mrs C. Leah 7
17 0-0000 Brownsman (C. Brown), C. Bell, 4-10-0 ... Miss M. Bell
18 30-0000 Charmeld (Mrs A. Harvey), E. Magner, 5-10-0 Mrs A. Harvey 4
19 00-0002 Staria (T. Barker), J. FitzGerald, 5-10-0 ... Mr Lowry 4
20 000-004 Young Crosby (C) (D. Raper), J. Calvert, 4-10-0 Mrs J. Calvert 4
21 000 Toughie (Mrs A. Naughton), M. Naughton, 8-10-0 Mrs A. Naughton 4
100-30 Triple, 9-2 Staria, 5-1 Young Crosby, 6-1 Gift Acre, 8-1 Ptarmigan, 10-1 Wroxham, Inkling, 12-1 King Caspar, Van Gogh, 14-1 others.

4.45 SCOTBY STAKES (2-y-o: £392: 5f)
2 4300 Armidale (J. Spriggs), M. W. Easterby, 8-2 ... J. Skilling
3 043 Grey Sail (A. Mendham), J. Calvert, 8-2 ... S. Freeman 7
5 0004 Alice Decoy (S. Reakes), F. Carr, 7-13 ... C. Dwyer
11 24004 Con Bird (D. Sowerby), M. H. Easterby, 7-13 ... M. Birch
13 000 Old Hall (E. Pawson), M. W. Easterby, 7-13 ... E. Johnson
13-8 Con Bird, 9-4 Grey Sail, 4-1 Alice Decoy, 5-1 Armidale, 10-1 Old Hall.

5.15 BORDER HANDICAP (£529: 6f)
2 0200-00 Marcus Game (CD) (W. Sowerby), W. A. Stephenson, 5-9-6 T. Davies 7
5 342004 Super Saphire (D) (A. Balding), Balding, 4-9-3 ... J. Balding
8 0-00030 *Red Rodney (D) (E. Brown), M. W. Easterby, 7-9-2*
9 040210 Kernel Rose (CD) (N. Angus), Angus, 5-8-13 J. Seagrave
12 0032-40 Tzu-Hsi (Mrs V. Haigh), W. Haigh, 4-8-4 R. Hutchinson
22 023440 Buckfastleigh (J. Winter), T. Fairhurst, 4-8-3 ... T. Ives
23 00-0000 Regal Singo (Miss K. Freeman), F. Freeman, 9-7-13 ... O. Gray
25 3u-0 Snowdrift (C. Lamb), Lamb, 4-7-13 ... J. Johnson 5
27 000-010 Peace and Quiet (D) (Denys Smith), Denys Smith, 3-7-11 C. Eccleston
28 000-410 Grim Lass (CD) (E. Briggs), J. Berry, 5-7-10 L. Charnock 5
29 000-000 Another Morley (L. Sloan), D. Yeoman, 5-7-7 ... S. Salmon 3 J. Lowe
5-2 Kernel Rose, 7-2 Super Saphire, 6-1 Red Rodney, Marcus Game, 8-1 Grim Lass, Peace and Quiet, 12-1 Tzu-Hsi, 14-1 Buckfastleigh, 16-1 others.

Carlisle selections

By Our Racing Staff
2.15 Look North. 2.45 Longacre. 3.15 BRANDED is specially recommended. 3.45 Prince Purnani. 4.15 Farmer's Boy. 4.45 Grey Sail. 5.15 Kernel Rose.

Brighton selections

By Our Racing Correspondent
2.0 GREY GHOST is specially recommended. 2.30 Spoofer. 3.0 Firetail. 3.30 Belper. 4.0 Ephesian. 4.30 Deep River.
By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.0 Grey Ghost. 2.30 Spoofer. 3.0 Colonel Nelson. 4.30 Deep River.

Great Yarmouth selections

By Our Racing Staff
2.15 Caribbean Boy. 2.45 Crock of Ale. 3.15 VERDANT GREEN is specially recommended. 3.45 Ebb and Flo. 4.15 Beechwood Lad. 4.45 Carabita.
By Our Newmarket Correspondent
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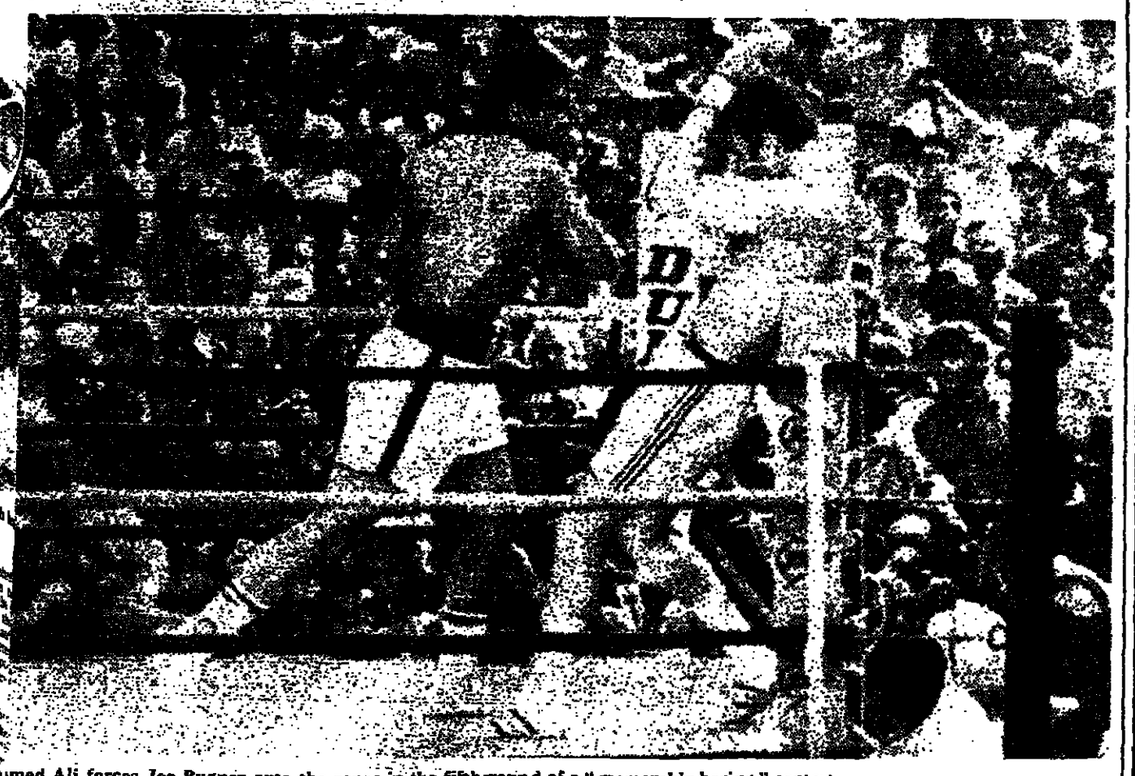
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umed Ali forces Joe Bugner onto the ropes in the fifth round of a "memorably boring" contest.

Manila is to host the next big deal

Neil Allen
Correspondent

Lumpur, July 1

latest boxing show-business
s virtually ready here only
hours after a memorable
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med Ali, the winner and
champion, often boxed badly
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because they reckon Frazier, at least, knows his place."

"What do you mean, how about the real boxing fans? Oh, they'll choose to remember how truly great the first Ali-Frazier contest was and how good the second was, too, and forget that Frazier isn't the same man. Anyway, what's the idea of talking how Bugner marked him up. That shows how good Bugner was in today's fascinating battle. Ali himself said so, didn't he, and there's no way Ali would be doing that to justify his own performance. Ali over the hill? Nonsense. Why, then, are we paying Ali four million dollars (about £1,600,000) and Frazier two million (about £800,000) or, as we'd rather put it because it sounds better, a percentage which could bring them, respectively, eight and five million dollars?"

"Don't forget the magic carpet need not stop in Manila. Bugner's still only 25, as he and his manager keep on telling you, and there's plenty more green pieces of paper up for grabs. That's all for the moment, because we're still working on those great Filipinos about local tax indemnity and so forth. Now bring your notebooks and cameras out and watch Ali and Frazier shout and holler and wrestle and for God, or Allah's, sake don't forget to mention the date and place."

It may be too cynical a parody of this afternoon's press conference, perhaps, but the sense of disappointment I have after this morning's emasculated maul may at least be shared by Mr Loubet, the editor of the American Ring magazine. Having been told from the ring by a public relations officer (who else) that Ali had just thrown away the winner's gloves which Mr Loubet usually collects for his office museum, my colleague settled, instead, for the hand bandages and observed, straight-faced, that they "smelled bad".

The ring-side temperature in the high 80's did not help today's contestants. The Japanese referee was too small to break up the clinches and too timid when Ali should have been rebuked for play-acting. But the boxing itself was so often flawed during a bout in which, for what it is worth, I scored seven rounds to Ali, two to Bugner and made perhaps as much as six even. Ali often whaled away ineffectively and, over his spaghetti lunch later, admitted to me that it was not a good match to watch. The desperately unimaginative and unaggressive Bugner at least worried Ali's ringside brother, Rachman, ("you're fighting for a cause, champ, don't let him take the title") but not those of us who had seen Bugner fumble ineptly through to the final bell so often before.

Neither man could find the frantic pulse of battle though Bugner was hitting determinedly in the last half minute of the thirteenth round and Ali gave us, no more than three or four times, a flash-back to his old moments of supreme rage to win. Once the boxers had to wait 10 minutes in the ring for the closed circuit television to be ready, and filled the interval with fooling, I suspected the championship would lack all sense of occasion. As the German reporter behind me muttered "is too much jokes", I began at last to feel more tolerant about those who can enjoy professional wrestling.

I want to be as fair as possible to Bugner and so I must disagree with those ringside reporters who tapped their hearts suggestively when they considered our European champion's lack of drive. I do not think he was afraid—rare but not unknown in boxing. He just does not possess a personality which can reach virulently for victory. At his best, as when he was frequently assaulted and knocked down by Frazier, Bugner can fight back, something which more inadequate men must admire. But today he could not, rather than would not, take the lead and hold it.

If there was a tactical plan in his camp to psyche out Ali by neutralizing the world champion's ploys in the early rounds, then it was bound to fail for one good reason. Joe Bugner, a decent man to whom one would gladly entrust the care of one's children, cannot go spontaneously into the over-drive which is the gift only of the executioneers of the ring.

Bugner had his chances this morning as the sun burned the back of our necks and no more than 10,000 were in the stadium to underline another case of the genial grafters of pugilism using the emergent nations as their pack horses. Ali was definitely not in superb condition, as he claims, and because he knows it, too, that is why he may stay on here to train before meeting Frazier. He could not have been taken today but he certainly could have been chased much harder.

Instead, Ali was allowed to gain a unanimous points decision, a few thousand Malaysians skimped their breakfast, and the whole circus chose to forget about what we had endured in the name of sport while the caravans moved on to another place, another time and another big deal.

NEW YORK: World Boxing Association 15-round championship: Light-heavyweight: Victor Galindez (Argentina, holder) beat Jorge Ahumada (Argentina); on points; Middleweight: C. Monzon (Argentina, holder) stopped Tony Licata, in tenth.
DURBAN: 10 rounds light-heavyweight: Pierre Fourie beat Hans Velensek (West Germany), on points.

Nadine Gordimer,

whose most recent novel, 'The Conservationist' won Britain's most important literary award, the Booker Prize,
contributes this week's guest column in our International Women's Year series.



Catalogue of the ridiculous

I have just spent a strange morning in a library. It was the reference section of the Johannesburg Municipal Library: I had entered, handed over my straw bag in exchange for a disc, made my request to a solicitously attentive woman at the inquiry counter, followed her to a glass-fronted case, waited while she unlocked it and removed a large, loose-leafed volume for me.

Now I sat down among the other users of the library at one end of the drawing-room-glossy tables. All were surrounded by books: some had piled a lair against distraction; some started at an array set out like a hand of patience. A young girl opposite me was making notes, hovering from source to source above spread volumes. Quietly, with the creaking of platform-sole boots or the lisp of crepe rubber, the offices of this ancient temple of learning were performed as people went back and forth between the shelves, taking and replacing books, more books.

I alone had only one before me. It occupied me the whole morning; it was, in a sense, the Book of Books, whose word is set up against that of all others. My book was *Jacobsen's Index of Objectionable Literature*, a publication launched a few years ago by an enterprising man who realized that there was money to be made by collating and publishing in book-form the weekly list of the South African censors' bannings, as revealed each Friday in the *Government Gazette*. There are many categories of people who need to know what has been banned—booksellers, magazine distributors, libraries, editors, as well as writers and publishers themselves. Not everyone cares to search through the small print of the *Gazette* each week; Mr Jacobsen will do it for the price of a modest subscription, and send along promptly the abstracted information in the form of printed sheets to be added to your loose-leafed book which records all decisions of the censors under past and present legislation.

And so, while the search for knowledge, know-how, spiritual enlightenment and the pleasures of poetry went on about me—like most writers, I am as practised a squinter as I am an eavesdropper, and I noted Wittgenstein, *Teach Yourself Accountancy*, Pascal's *Pensées*, *17th Century English Verse*—I read on down the lists of banned books in Jacobsen.

There is a great deal of trash, of course. Paperbacks of the kind that are twirled around on wire stands in sweet-and-smokes shops and airports; the titles of the banned ones do not sound any different from those I see on sale everywhere. The sheer volume of sub-literature swamps the resources of censorship, in that category.

There are books I suppose we could be said to be lucky to do without? Dr Eustace Chesser cannot add a single South African rand to his income and Dr Reuben never gets a chance to tell us *Everything you always wanted to know about Sex but were afraid to ask*.

The "highest literary judgment" South Africans are constantly assured is a qualification of the government-appointed censors who consider literature, plays and films apparently is just as good for extra-literary purposes: the censors are expected to bring it to bear upon, and indeed have banned T shirts bearing saucy legends, a black fist, and even the peace sign. Also the design of a panty-hose packet, and a glass that, on being filled, showed the figure of a nude woman. There they are, listed in Jacobsen.

But it's easy to laugh at the South African censors. Our amusement, their solemn ridiculousness, have not undermined their power. Indeed, the latest Censorship Act, which came into force on April 1 this year, protects the newly-chosen personnel both from ridicule and exposure in court if their decisions should be challenged. The right of appeal to a court of law against bannings has been taken from writers and publishers, and it is now an offence against the law to criticize members of the special Appeal Board set up within the censorship organization to hear appeals against decisions made by its own regional censorship committees.

Most titles my finger was running down, page after page, were banned by the old Publications Control Board, before April. They constitute virtually the entire oeuvre of black South African fiction writers, essayists and some poets, including Lewis Nkosi, Ezekiel Mphahlele and Denis Brutus, and individual works by myself, Dan Jacobson, Jack Cope, Mary Benson, C. J. Driver, Andre Brink, and other white South Africans. Bans on English and American writers include individual works by Kingsley Amis, Vladimir Nabokov, Bernad Malamud, Norman Mailer, John O'Hara, John Masters, James Baldwin, Edna O'Brien, John Updike, Frederic Rhapael, Joseph Heller, Robert Penn Warren, Gore Vidal, Han Suvin, James Purdy, William Burroughs Erica Jong, Langston Hughes, Doris Lessing, Paul Theroux, Truman Capote, Allan Sillitoe, Sinclair Lewis, William Styron, Alison Lurie, Phillip Roth, Jakov Lind, J. P. Donlevy, Kurt Vonnegut and Jack Kerouac. Translations include books by Joseph Kessel, Jean-Paul Sartre, Romain Gary, Alberto Moravia, Carlos Fuentes, Roger Peyrefitte, Jean Genet, Francoise Mallet-Joris, Junichiro Tanazaki, Alain Robbe-Grillet, Colette, Nikos Kazantzakis, Jean Cocteau, Alfred Jarry, Vasco Pratolini, Vladimir Mayakovsky, Marguerite Duras, Guy de Maupassant, and Pierre Louys. Among contemporary thinkers there are works by Herbert Marcuse, Oscar Lewis Salvador Allende, Wilhelm Reich, Louis Althusser and Lezek Kolakowski.

Some of the bannings of the new censorship organization were too recent to have found their place in Jacobsen's Index. Iris Murdoch's The Black Prince is one. And the day after I spent my morning in the library reading about what we may not read, our new and greatly enlarged team of censors showed nothing if not extraordinary breadth of literary judgment—at one eclectic stroke they banned Georg Lukacs's History and Class Consciousness and 13 pairs of men's underpants bearing legends such as "Long John Silver".

If you don't believe me, you can go to our library and look it up in the Book of Books next week.

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The Conservationist, by Nadine Gordimer (Cape, £2.75).

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he weather at Clyde Week is ving changeable and yesterday's ata by the Clyde Corinthian nt Club was somewhat marred n the 10 knot breeze from the h-West faltered and died to s the finish.

then the flood was running od strength and local know- of the back eddies of the and wind slants along the s paid dividends. Such con- is demand greater concentra- and skill from the helmsman ep moving, whereas in a good e the modern yacht will t sail herself. The American- ed eight metre, Nan of Garr, notable performer in Light er and she scored her second y by miles rather than yards. ier yacht to repeat her suc- was the 20ft sloop, Joco, in ch Long class for the Crystal

new Soling leader, Staccato, the Corinthian Soling Shield esterday it was Stormpiper's o lead the band of 23 pipers e Bramble Bowl.

ULTS: IOR Division A: Inter- d Eight-metre Cruiser-race: Nan e (R. M. Wilson); International 1, Staccato (G. M. Watson); lo (R. MacDougall); International s: 1, Cracklerack (S. Roberts); nbeam (W. Parlane); Elvina (Sir d Vibrations (S. S. Beattie); 2, (G. B. Logan); Phoenix: 1, Storm- J. R. Gibb); 2, Mona (M. W. 3, Kelpie (J. G. Thomson); ongs: 1, Joco (T. M. Wade); 2, (R. A. MacGrouther).

Read-Wilson brothers get farther and farther ahead

By John Nicholls

Nicholas Read-Wilson and his brother Crispin were convincing winners of the fourth race in the Fireball class European championships, sponsored by Dunhill's, at Hayling Island yesterday. They led throughout in conditions that were a great improvement on the previous two days and the wind, although of moderate strength, was a true sea breeze that did not falter.

Adrian and Maeve Bell, a married couple sailing the lone entry from Ireland, finished second and tried hard to catch the unflappable Read-Wilson. But although they occasionally closed the gap between themselves and the leading boat, they were never close enough to pose a serious threat. By the finish the fleet of 40 boats was well strung out in Hayling Bay; it was one of those days when the leaders got farther and farther away from the bulk of their rivals.

The start was delayed for an hour and a half to give the wind a chance to settle down and the fleet got away well at the first attempt. The line was a fair one and boats from both sides of the course arrived together at the first mark. Read-Wilson squeezed round ahead of one of the Swiss boats sailed by Felix Buchle, who was in turn a few lengths ahead of the Bells.

Another Swiss, Peter Bopp, was fourth and Kenneth Brackwell, winner of the first and third races was only tenth after a lacklustre start. The Bells soon disposed of Buchle on the first reach of the 13-mile course but by this time Read-Wilson was out of reach.

Interest now centred on the place changes that occurred lower down the fleet and especially in the progress of Ian Gray, joint runner-up with the Read-Wilsons in the British national Fireball championship last year. He was well astern of Brackwell in sixteenth place at the end of the first round, yet after the next windward leg he was up to sixth. Among the leaders places were harder to gain but Gray kept plugging away and overtook Bopp on the final beat.

Brackwell still leads the championship on total points but his eleventh place yesterday allowed Peter Sandy and Read-Wilson to close up to within striking distance.

RESULTS: Fourth race: 1, N. and G. Read-Wilson; 2, A. and Mrs M. Bell (Ireland); 3, P. Buchle and C. Gross (Switzerland); 4, P. Sandy and D. Ratcliffe; 5, I. and K. Gray; 6, P. Bopp and U. Joss (Switzerland).

Travemuende, July 1.—Unfavourable winds and calm periods disrupted the opening heat of the European Finn Dinghy championships here today. The organizers, who recalled the 44 contestants from 18 countries in the middle of the race, said they hoped to compensate tomorrow with two races.

Cycling

Belgians lose places in final sprint

Merlin Plage, July 1.—A Dutchman, Theo Smit, made a surprising sprint today to beat the Belgians, Rik Van Linden and Eddy Merckx, at the finish of the 147-mile fifth stage of the Tour de France cycling race.

Twenty-four-year-old Francesco Moser, of Italy, retained the overall lead with a two-second advantage over Merckx. Smit, who had been riding in the front of the bunch during the last several hundred yards, suddenly burst out to overtake the Belgians as they broke into the sprint. Van Linden, who had suffered a fall in Monday's fourth stage, and Merckx had prepared for the sprint by moving into position over the last three miles without actually making a direct attempt to lead. Merckx finished third.

When the bunch did finally make the break, the two Belgians burst forward, only to find themselves overtaken by Smit. The Frenchman, Jacques Esclassan, who won the fourth stage yesterday but was accused of being responsible for Van Linden's fall, came in fourth. Barry Hoban, of Britain, finished ninth in the sprint.

STAGE FIVE: 1, T. Smit (Netherlands); 2, R. Van Linden (Belgium); 3, E. Merckx (Belgium); 4, J. Esclassan (France); 5, R. Delepine (France), all 5hr 33min 25sec. British placing: 9, B. Hoban, 5:39:25.
OVERALL: 1, F. Moser (Italy), 22:34:04; 2, Merckx, 22:34:06; 3, M. Pollentier (Belgium), 22:34:18; 4, B. Theyenet (France), 22:35:21; 5, Van Springel (Belgium), 22:35:22. British placing, 21, Hoban, 22:36:45.

Doyle ahead in Edinburgh Cup series

or Doyle, in Alphida, yester- von the third race of the urgh Cup yachting series, is being held under the e of the Royal Forth Yacht in Edinburgh. With 17.4 he is now lying first over- ove his Kinsale Yacht Club and rival, Tony O'Gorman, inished second yesterday and total of 18 points, although est outstanding against Mon- winner, Sandpiper, may e these points.

rtenay Good, also from Kin- sale, in the Republic of Ireland, is lying third overall with 25 points after a fourth place yesterday. In third place yesterday was the Royal Norfolk and Suffolk boat, Drake, helmed by Tim Whelpton, who is now fourth overall.

The wind, which had swung round to the west during Monday's race, stayed steady, giving perfect force four conditions yesterday. After two general recalls the fleet got away cleanly and Alphida, Galax and Drake all went up the starboard side of the beat and rounded the windward mark in that order, followed by Nic Truman in Titan and Hamish Mackenzie in Kis.

Triton came round seventh and made no impression on the two reaches, but came up to fourth on the second beat and held this place to the finish.

RESULT: 1, Alphida (C. Doyle, Kinsale); 2, Galax (T. O'Gorman, Kinsale); 3, Drake (C. O. Morley and T. J. Whelton, Royal Norfolk and Suffolk); 4, Triton (C. Good, Kinsale); 5, Titan (N. D. Truman, Royal Norfolk and Suffolk); 6, Galatea (P. A. S. Gifford, Aldeburgh).

Athletics

Gaerderud sets world record for second time

Stockholm, July 1.—Anders Gaerderud, of Sweden, set his second world record in a week for the 3,000 metres steeplechase when he recorded 8min 9.7sec at an athletics meeting here tonight.

The tall Swede took seven tenths of a second off the record he set in Oslo last week to finish 30 metres ahead of the European champion, Bronislaw Malinowski, of Poland.

Malinowski was second in 8min 12.62sec—also inside Ben Jipcho's 8min 14sec record which until last week had stood as the world mark for two years, with the West German, Michael Karst, third in 8min 16.11sec. In fact Gaerderud looked likely to take an even larger slice off his record when he went through 1,000 metres in 2min 42.2sec—3.8sec faster than at the same state last week.

The early pacemaker, Evans Mogaka, of Kenya, was dropped after the second lap, leaving Gaerderud nicked in behind Malinowski. The Swede made his break halfway through the final lap.

RESULTS: Men: 200 metres: L. Brown (US), 20.9sec. 5,000 metres: E. Puttemans (Belgium), 13min 26.4sec; 2, J. Stewart (GB), 13min 27.0. 110m hurdles: F. Siebeck (E Germany), 13.5. Steeplechase: A. Gaerderud (Sweden), 8:9.7. Women: 100m: I. Szewinska (Poland), 23.1.

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rlie George, the Arsenal r, may join the league cham- Derby County. It is under- that David Mackay, the manager, has broken off a y in Scotland to try to sign ngland Under-23 player in n.

s latest development has up- ottenham Hotspur's manager, Neill. He had agreed a fee ,000 with Arsenal and terms George, who was expected to esterday.

Neill said yesterday: rge passed a medical on ay and there were no snags. The terms were right and he agreed to sign for us today. Derby, however, spoke to Charlie last night and he told me this morning that he owed it to himself and his family to have talks with them."

Mr Neill is determined to strengthen his team, who narrowly avoided relegation last season. "I have other irons in the fire and intend to make other signings, irrespective of the outcome of his bid", he said.

Jimmy Armfield, the Leeds United manager, said yesterday that organized trips to matches, through clubs, could be the answer to many problems of crowd behaviour. Mr Armfield was back at Elland Road after his persuasive arguments had led Uefa to reduce their ban on Leeds from European competitions, imposed because of crowd disruption in Paris in May.

Mr Armfield said: "We have uncovered a lot of relevant facts in our investigations as to the problems which arose from the European Cup final. We at no time defended bad behaviour in Paris and we at Leeds United abhor this trend as much as anyone."

The timeless quality of convincing storytelling

The pages of Chatterbox for 1909 contained the regulation quota of parlour verses, staid jokes and Useful Facts; they also *contained a serial story by a writer who* was to be anything but regulation. It was *Martin Hyde, the Duke's Messenger*—a *tale of Monmouth's rebellion*—and its author was John Masefield.

The name was probably not unknown in 1909. His first book, *Salt Water Ballads*, had been published seven years earlier (and it may well be that the luckless Board School children of the time were already having to chant in unison their desire to go down to the sea again, to the lonely sea and the sky, just as the victims of organized poetry have had to do ever since).

He had also published a second volume of verse, *Ballads and Poems*; a crackling study of buccaneers and "*old time ships* and sailors". *On the Spanish Main*; and a couple of books of fiction: *A Tarpaulin Muster* and *Captain Margaret*. All these works have a ready appeal to young readers—indeed, Hugh Greene has recently *included Captain Margaret* in his Bow Street Library (Bodley Head, £2.50), where he writes of it as an exciting story of adventure that was "one of my favourites when I was a boy"—but *Martin Hyde* was Masefield's first attempt at a story specifically for children.

It was soon joined by two others. In 1910, when it first appeared in book form, there was also published *A Book of Discoveries*—the holiday exploits of two brothers in an idyllic Cornish valley—while at the same time *Chatterbox* was serializing a new adventure story: *Jim Davis, a tale of kidnap and smuggling*, set in the West Country in the early years of the nineteenth century.

Apart from exhibiting their author's obvious pleasure in West Country ways (he spent his own *childhood at Ledbury* in Herefordshire) these three books have little in common, but they do all demonstrate what makes Masefield both a distinctive and a distinguished figure among writers of children's books.

At one point in *Martin Hyde* the chief character remarks in an aside that "a boy lives very much in the present", and the quality shared by these three books is the way in which they place "the present" before their readers. Whatever century they are dealing in, their author's command of detail is such that the places, people, things of the story come four-square off the page like an almost physical *experience*.

Masefield's ability to convey detail with such precision (the secret, he said, lay in the force of the verbs) is perhaps the key *to his success in storytelling*—a craft of which he wrote "as it has been the law of my being, I have followed it, and given to it whatever effort I could give"—and, although Hugh Greene in his Preface to *Captain Margaret* ponders over what of Masefield will survive, there seem to be some healthy signs that our new-found *interest in storytelling* is bringing his work back into favour.

From among those early books *On the Spanish Main* (Conway Maritime Press, £3.20) has come back into print as well as *Captain Margaret*, and earlier this year Puffin Books issued their third reprinting of *Jim Davis* (35p)—that yarn which, like its great predecessors *Treasure Island* and *Moonfleet*, allows its child narrator to be taken over by a picaresque hero who attracts to himself much of the author's care and sympathy.

In the last year Puffin Books have also committed themselves to the experiment of reissuing two of Masefield's later novels as children's books. These are the two volumes which he wrote in the thirties: *Dead Ned* (30p) and *Live and Kicking Ned* (45p), in which he follows the fortunes of a young eighteenth-century doctor who is wrongly convicted of murder, hanged, resuscitated, and smuggled off to Africa in a slaver. *Dead Ned*—despite its sub-title "The Autobiography of a Corpse"—is a book dramatically alive from the start (Muriel Spark, in her study of Masefield, calls it the peak of his achievement in fiction) and although the sequel falls apart in its second half, when the hero visits a strange tribe of bureaucrats living in the middle of Africa, its first half, which deals with the slaving expedition, is a taut, horrifying affair that has more than a passing similarity to *The Slave Dancer*, a recent children's book much honoured in the United States.



Miss Susan Pricker, one of the exotics who give such character to Masefield's masterpiece The Midnight Folk.

If the Ned stories, and that other splendid sailing novel *The Bird of Dawning* (which is published by Penguins as a Peacock) have become children's books by courtesy, Masefield's two other intentional contributions to the genre should remain so by genius. *The Midnight Folk*, which he published in 1927, and *The Box of Delights* (1935) are by my reckoning among the dozen best story-books for children which this country has produced—and we have never been particularly deficient in good books for children. Masefield's daughter Judith recalled that *The Midnight Folk* was the book that he liked best of all his work, and like its successor it shows how he could get away with the most idiosyncratic of fancies by the pace and conviction of his writing.

Under the shadow of Sauron our fantasists today are too eager to overload their stories with cosmological doom. They would not condescend to anything so mundane as treasure-hunts with talking animals and walking toys, or so absurd as the dastardly kidnapping of the working population of a Cathedral—bishops, deacons, organists and all. But such are the narrative threads of *The Midnight Folk*—a great summer book—and *The Box of Delights*—a great winter one, and with these threads Masefield creates a marvellous pattern of incident, character, laughter. It is the natural fulfilment of the potential of those earlier books and a fine monument to his belief in the power of storytelling.

Brian Alderson

The Midnight Folk is available in hardback from Heinemann (£2.10) and in paperback from Puffin Books (35p). *The Box of Delights* in hardback from Heinemann (£1.75).

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Bergman's bizarre Twelfth Night

One interesting way of spending a lot of money would be to choose a European myth and commission companies from half a dozen countries to go away and prepare their own national versions of it. But as Europe is at present in no position to have a flutter on that idea, we are left with the substitute of festival productions in which the actors of one country reveal their national characteristics through the classics of another.

Warsaw's Theatre of the Nations yielded one magnificent example of that process in the East Berlin version of *The Wild Duck* which I discussed yesterday. Another example also cropped up there in the shape of Ingmar Bergman's production of *Twelfth Night* for the Stockholm Kungliga Dramatiska Teatern. Any expectation of a Tudor postscript to *Smiles of a Summer Night* are instantly dismissed by the sight of a genial Shakespeare giving the OK to the musicians' gallery and bowing us into his latest entertainment like an obsequious puppet master. Staying on hand to walk through the role of Antonio, he guarantees an evening thoroughly purged of Nordic guilt.

Like other recent Bergman productions, the show is much concerned with proving the flexibility of the proscenium. This time the assumption is that we are not in a theatre at all, but in a great hall where the players have set up a little platform. Gunilla Palmstierna-Weiss's stage is not unlike the arrangement proposed by Leslie Hotson in *The First Night of Twelfth Night* of an improvised acting area in grand surroundings with a couple of movable mansions serving both as scenery and exits. In the use of space naturalistic plausibility is entirely supplanted by stage convention. Toby's den doubles up as Orsino's bed-chamber, and Malvolio reads the fatal letter with the conspirators craning their necks over his shoulder. More English than any English version I have ever seen, it is an approach that throws all the responsibility on to the actors.

Here the logic of the staging asserts itself with a vengeance. We, the audience, are great people bestowing our attention on some visiting comedians. It is not their business to give us any pain or measure their humanity against ours. They are there to be laughed at. So here, Orsino is a ludicrous fop attended by two pages who get busy scribbling down his rhapsodies whenever he stops fondling them. Here, Sir Toby is a wheezing old ruin whose speech is one long belch. Maria (Solveig Ternström) is a pert thigh-flashing pickpocket, and Aguecheek (Sven Lindberg) a mane-tossing homosexual innocent of any suspicion that he is being taken for a ride.

Quite a few laughs pile up along the way; but in the long term the characters make no sense. How could an obvious thief like Maria survive in Olivia's household; how could Viola, even in the guise of Bibi Andersson's principal boy, fall for a fool like this Orsino? Meanwhile, in place of lyrical eroticism, the cast fall to it like rabbits, with a gang-bang (including Malvolio) in Toby's place, and ducal clinches which would speedily have uncovered the secret of Cesario's gender.

The production appeared at the Polski Theatre: an apter setting would have been the eighteenth-century Court Theatre in the Lazienki Park where seats for the aristocratic spectators are surmounted by a gallery crowded with painted images of the common people.

The Glasgow Citizens' Theatre followed this show with an equally bizarre version of *The Duchess of Malfi* directed and designed by Philip Prowse on an ornately balustraded pyramid suggesting one of the more opulent tombs of Hhighgate Cemetery. As a static image it looked magnificent; likewise the vicious insect-like costumes and the inquisitorial skeletons in phosphorescent robes. But aside from the sheer lack of acting space, the trouble is that the set amounts to an architectural counterpart to the play, rendering dramatic action superfluous. Mr Prowse has made his comment before the first line has been spoken.

Glasgow in the past has made a deliberate policy of throwing young players in at the deep end, sometimes with startling success; but not when this means characterizing Bosola with a stammer and Ferdinand with effeminate tantrums, and turning the Duchess into an irritable adolescent who thinks it is time she had her own door key.

For true harmony between action and stage design there was the second Volksbühne show, Benno Besson's version of *The Good Woman of Setzuan*. Ezio Toffalutti and Helmut Brade's set places Brecht's parable in a junk world of cardboard box shanties standing in a wilderness of torn-up newspaper. Only the most savage can prise any livelihood out of that environment, and the grotesquely masked scavengers who inhabit it drive the point home with terrifying energy; sometimes creeping in like wolves, approaching Shen Te's threshold with wheedling voices involuntarily breaking into murderous aggression.

The disguise cuts both ways. Achim Freyer's huge bloated headpieces and stocking masks at once project a sense of dehumanized ferocity and also attribute that to artificial circumstances. Masks can be taken off when one can live without them. The point gets is most obvious expression from Ursula Karusseit's Shen Te, a lumpish peasant heroine (reminiscent of Brecht's Angelica Hurwicz) who can convert the wilderness into the Garden of Eden when she is showing her imaginary child around the world; and who outdoes all the others in menace when she adopts the male *alter ego* of Shui Ta. Costume again carries the argument as Shui Ta's suit consists of a set of overalls over-painted with pinstripes and a gangster tie. The production is no fresh revelation of the play but it delivers the known contents with exemplary passion.

A concluding note on Warsaw's Japanese visitors: the Sho-Gekijo Company, who arrived with a programme called *On the Dramatic Passions* introduced with a blanket dismissal of the traditional Japanese stage. Seeking something more relevant than the Noh and the modern *shingeki* drama, they offer a series of brief scenes, featuring their demoniacal star Kaydko Shiraishi, coupling the savageries of the old drama with the Japan of transistors and cafe music. All of which confirms my feeling that Western culture is to Japan what alcohol was to the Red Indians.

Irving Wardle

Antonio and his Spanish Ballet

Coliseum

John Percival

A rumour that Antonio would dance his Zapateado in a wheelchair, with the spotlight on his feet, proved quite untrue, although he did sit down for one of his encores. At fifty-something he is less svelte and less spry than before; he rations his appearances through the evening, and when he does tackle a demanding solo it takes something out of him.

I am not sure it was wise for him to play the young gypsy Carmelo in his own production of *El Amor Brujo*: the exaggerated gestures of passion that were always one of his hallmarks look more obviously feigned nowadays. If it comes to that, I doubt whether the inclusion of the ballet was a good idea anyway: undersung, underplayed by the anonymous band, it has rather perfunctory choreography and makes little dramatic impact.

The supporting company calls itself Ballet Nacional Festivales de Espagna. Maria del Sol and Mario La Vega share the leading parts with Antonio; they too are experienced dancers, she with a rather exuberant charm, he with the scowl that seems obligatory for Spanish male dancers. Perhaps all that stamping gives them a perpetual headache. He stamps most vigorously and has good bearing but possibly less temperament than ideal.

The rest of the dancers appear well trained and enthusiastic. One or two of the younger men make an impression in small solos but none of them is given the opportunity to stand out too much. The women are less impressive on the whole.

Some folk numbers are given with more zest than the heavier, broodingly atmospheric pieces. A suite of jotas ends the first half, and the second half concludes with the usual bulerias in which everyone, even the singers, dances his party piece. It was still going strong when I left to meet my deadline, and for all I know may be continuing yet.

LSO/Boult

Festival Hall

Alan Blyth

Obviously the LSO likes the veterans. On Sunday evening a man aged 81 (Böhm), was in charge of the orchestra; on Monday it was the turn of Sir Adrian Boult, two months past his eighty-sixth birthday, and again they played as though respect for and dedication to experience went hand in hand.

Boult took over only for the second half of this concert in aid of the United Nations' Association, and for one work, Brahms's second piano concerto. Boult's gestures are, if anything, even more economical than Böhm's. That huge baton of his sets a tempo that is as straight and firm as his back. Any soloist can be certain that he will receive courteous and immaculate support. John Lill was in fact in that happy position, and took advantage of it to give wonderfully confident and technically authoritative account of the concerto.

In the opening movement he sometimes seemed to be straining beyond what the already forceful enough notes have to offer, almost challenging the orchestra to make a bigger sound than him, but even here in the quieter moments the feeling for Brahms's more delicate textures was already evident and that was to come into its own in the slow movement, especially in the *Più Adagio* section, after a taut yet expansive account of the Scherzo.

Marc Soustrot, winner of this year's Rupert Foundation scholarship, and exactly 60 years Boult's junior, conducted the first half. A rousing, if ragged, *Russlan and Ludmila* overture was followed by the *Rosenkavalier* suite. He did not do his cause as a young conductor any good by having that horribly vulgar and awkward concoction foisted on him when any one of the shorter tone poems would have done as well. Even so, his feeling for Strauss was obvious.

Garrick Ohlsson

St John's/Radio 3

Max Harrison

Garrick Ohlsson is one of a number of young pianists today who, although equipped with an admirable technique, appear uncertain quite how to use it. On a record of the four Chopin Scherzos issued last year he seemed content to skim over the music's surface with a lightness and speed which, no matter how impressive in themselves, left most of the notes' implications untouched. On Monday at lunchtime at St John's, however, he often went in the opposite direction, painting the music of Liszt and again Chopin in heavy, broad strokes which, although quite arresting, were just as incomplete.

Actually, with *Bénédiction de Dieu dans la Solitude*, Mr Ohlsson started very well. The quieter parts of this express a mood of religious contemplation which, not surprisingly, is uncommon in piano music, and these were played with affecting simplicity. *Funérailles* is more obviously dramatic, with its hurtling octaves and evocations of trumpet calls, but as it has no evident technical difficulties for this player he should be more precise about dynamics. This music has greater subtlety than he allows, and the contrasts between sections were too extreme.

Chopin's D flat nocturne preeminently needs refinement if its richly encrusted ornament is to yield all its meaning and be properly subordinated to the whole. Mr Ohlsson, though not insensitive, was altogether too direct for this piece fully to create its usual mysterious, almost secretive, atmosphere.

Some of the notices on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions.

The friend of man

The Case against Dogs

Thames

Michael Ratcliffe

"I saw your dog foul the footpath", said the Street Inspector for the London borough of Camden to the lady with the basset hound in the quiet road off Primrose Hill. "Oh, did you?" "Yes. I will point out where your dog has deposited. It *is* your dog?" Throughout the grave civic formalities that followed, the basset hound yawned with a most plausible indifference.

If Jolyon Wimhurst began *The Case against Dogs* with more than a touch of *Clochemerle*, it was simply to get the sniggering out of the way early, for here was a programme that knew exactly what it wanted to say and proceeded to say it with verbal sobriety and visual aggressiveness — always the most effective method of presenting any case on television. "The case against dogs" was that they carry the worm Toxocara canis whose near-indestructible eggs are transmitted by faeces into the soil of open spaces where children play, can hatch in the human body and lead to inflamed liver and lungs, anaemia and a number of serious diseases notably affecting the inner eye, even to blindness. In poor districts of Louisiana, the percentage of children so affected has […] 15; here it is much […] likely to increase as th[…] of dogs increases—by […] ated quarter of a million […] —and as controls c[…] be totally ignored.

Turds of every size […] were photographed […] cally from every possib[…] and we saw much unfor[…] footage both of the ma[…] worm and of the offic[…] catchers dedicated to […] the streets of New Orle[…] one city where medical […] and civic singlem[…] seem to go hand […] Some of this was […] especially for dog[…] the measures seem […] enough and ind[…] humane than our indu[…] tishness.

At the end Mr Wim[…] sented us with a po[…] gramme of reform[…] sures: 1, a higher li[…] 2, compulsory worm[…] greater powers for […] dens; 4, strict contr[…] times; 5, no defecation […] or public places. Ho[…] minister and enforce th[…] sures is the biggest […] together with the poli[…] attached to policies […] directly one of th[…] national obsessions.

Mr Wimhurst could […] even harder had he c[…] The dangers from bit[…] road accidents and t[…] pean rabies epiden[…] approaching the Chan[…] of France were men[…] tioned in parenthesis.

London debuts

The most striking feature of Melchor Rodriguez's guitar playing was his control of dynamics, whether for bold contrasts or fine shadings. He achieved an unusual variety of volume and colour on the 12-course instrument he used for a group of Baroque pieces, though the Bach Chaconne showed up his deficiencies as much as his accomplishments. His rhythm was plodding, and the many little clumsinesses of execution disturbed. In the Spanish part of his programme he was more at ease; seven short pieces by Tarrega, on whom Mr Rodriguez is something of an authority, were done with an affecting charm.

Leslie Howard's was an arresting début: his programme of Liszt was done with a panache demanding no allowance for inexperience. Perhaps his style was, indeed, too forceful to reveal the softer nuances in music chosen from all stages in Liszt's career. Mr Howard's declamatory delivery was perfectly apt in such a piece as *Lyon*, but the *Second Mephisto Waltz* needed something subtler at times for its sourness to tell. Again, the illustrative music of the two St Francis legends was played with brilliance and unwavering confidence, and yet the effect remained somehow external. However, Mr Howard's playing of *Nuages gris* showed how much he can make of a piece quite lacking in hard edges, and in a group of Hungarian folksong arrangements he was more than merely exciting.

Carol Leatherby […] her mellow and sy[…] mezzo-contralto voice […] cular advantage in […] teenth-century Englis[…] and also demonstra[…] range of feeling: acu[…] changing characterizat[…] schizophrenic Purc[…] *Mad Bess*; pure de[…] Pelham Humfrey's *A* […] *God the Father*. Whe[…] the less tangible […] *Frauenliebe und-lehen* […] sometimes too heavy […] but these defects be[…] vantages in a varied […] from Wolf. That she c[…] with a lighter style sh[…] in Berkeley's Five Aud[…] and in a spirited a[…] Seiber's Four Greek F[…]

The guitarist Darryl […] presented himself in […] recital, a tricky form […] he had sufficient stor[…] dotes and attractive sl[…] bers to bring off. H[…] as player and racont[…] similar: a gentle, u[…] voice almost masking […] fessionalism and insig[…] performance. It was a […] he restricted himself […] lesser works; his ma[…] ings were a Vivaldi […] Turina's sonata. Yet […] able to cut a dash […] flamenco music, and […] quiet sentiment in pr[…] Bach, Tarrega and V[…] His only lapse of tas[…] contemplate an arran[…] the adagio from the […] *de Aranjuez* for gu[…] harpsichord (Virgin[…] sants).

Paul G[illegible]



The Letter Writer, by Philippe Mercier

Art for great hous[…]

Enhance

Kenwood

William Gaunt

In the Civic Amenities Act of 1967 local authorities were enjoined to "preserve and enhance" those areas they deemed of special architectural or historic interest and this gives the title and the key to the exhibition under the auspices of the GLC now at Kenwood, displaying works of art acquired for Kenwood, Marble Hill and Ranger's House, Blackheath, in the years from 1964 to 1974.

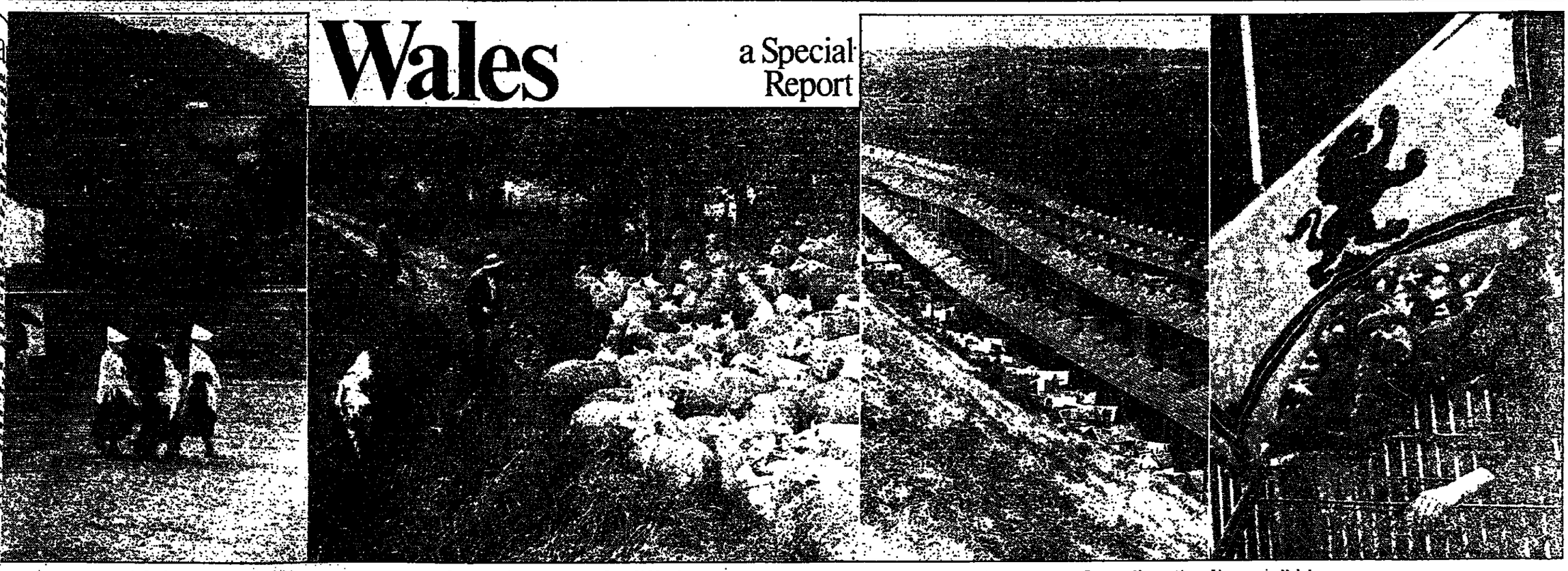
Comprising both paintings and pieces of furniture, the works then acquired represent a specific purpose, namely to improve and appropriately complete the decor of great eighteenth-century houses. This required a special discrimination, for the comprehensive term "eighteenth-century" ranged from the earlier period of Marble Hill House to the later phase of neo-classical and Adam design of Kenwood. It was necessary virtually to start from scratch with creating a 1720-1750 decor for a pr[…] empty Marble Hill […] eliminate from, as wel[…] to, the miscellaneous […] of Kenwood.

The 40 items shown […] the discrimination that […] brought to the task. Ma[…] gains by the addition o[…] able pictures by suc[…] runners of the great p[…] Francis Hayman, Georg[…] Philippe Mercier, Huber[…] lot, and such a mag[…] piece of furniture as th[…] with the original needle[…] Anne Northey.

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Wales a Special Report

d community, rich in its cultural heritage : pictures by David Hurn, a Cardiff photographer commissioned by the Welsh Arts Council to " rediscover " his country.

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But what of the public demand? Two points are often quoted in the argument over demand, one with more justification than the other. The first is the EEC referendum result. It is painfully clear that that result is going to be used to support all manner of propositions throughout the country.

In an address recently to a meeting of the Conservative Political Centre in Wales Professor Ivor Gowan, professor of politics at the University College of Wales, Aberystwyth, and a constitutional adviser to the Conservative Party in Wales, began thus: "In the light of the overwhelming rejection of the nationalist case in the referendum the Government's plans for devolution to Wales and Scotland must command very little support among the electorate."

In view of the fact that the pro-Europe campaigners (including Sir Christopher Soames) emphasized the view that membership of the EEC, far from being inimical to the process of devolution, should in fact help it along, and also that this view was unequivocally endorsed in the commission's booklet on Wales and Europe, statements such as Professor Gowan's are, to put it mildly, a non-sequitur.

The second point is the impact of local government reorganization. There is no doubt that there has been tremendous disillusion over the recent reorganization. Some of the criticisms have been crude and unjustified, others amply justified, such as that concerning the inevitable waste of resources caused by the adoption of a two-tier rather than a unitary system. Opponents of the Government's devolution proposals have been able to build upon this disillusion to promote the popular equation between the ills and cost of the reorganization and the creation of an assembly.

Others are beginning to argue, even at this early stage of the new order, that the assembly is the only likely impetus for a further reform which will create a much more rational and economical system. That view is gaining wide support, even among leaders of local government.

If resolutely pursued, the new system involving the assembly at the top, a tier of most special purpose authorities and strengthened neighbourhood or community councils could be the first, main, continuing benefit to emanate from the assembly. Though the Government would be unlikely to take the initiative, it would be difficult for it to resist concerted pressure from an elected assembly.

It is that kind of democratic pressure that is at the heart of the devolutionist case. It is part of the dynamic effect of the creation of a new focus of political power. Opponents often argue as if the establishment of an assembly meant the elimination of the Welsh Office. That would not be the case. Whether as part of an integrated British service or as a distinct Welsh service the Civil Service will, according to the pro-devolution lobby, be strengthened, gaining confidence and developing independent initiatives in the knowledge that there is some political muscle behind it.

It is argued by those who seek parity with Scotland that most of these inconsistencies are simply the result of opting for an assembly with executive rather than full legislative powers.

At the outset it is likely that the assembly will be given some delegated legislative functions, but the emphasis is on "fitting the assembly into the legislative process". Thus it would be able to promote legislation at Westminster and would obviously become closely involved in the pre-legislative process.

A greater attraction of the scheme in Wales, especially in the Labour ranks, is the role that the assembly will play in democratizing all the statutory ad hoc boards and committees that have sprung up in the post-war years. A survey by the *Western Mail* conducted some years ago covered no fewer than 65 of these official bodies to whose membership the Secretary of State for Wales made 1,072 appointments.

Since then we have seen the health service reorganized, and the Welsh National Water Development Authority established, and these will soon be joined by a Welsh Development Agency and a Land Authority.

Nationalism in Wales, which to some degree suffuses all parties and institutions, is a more subtle and defensive phenomenon than Scottish nationalism. It is not without significance, therefore, that one of the primary sources for the devolutionist lobby has been not the Kilbrandon report but rather Lord Crowther-Hunt's memorandum of dissent which avoided the philosophical labyrinth surrounding such concepts as nationhood, self-determination and freedom and presented instead a powerful but wholly functional case for devolution.

That case, based on the present overloading of Westminster, and the further burdens that will be placed upon it by membership of the EEC, still stands.

Welcome for development agency

by Trevor Fishlock

The regional policies, a push here and a pull there, have helped; but not enough. Wales has remained underdeveloped and vulnerable.

During the past few years more politicians, economists and businessmen have reached the conclusion that Wales must have its own economic agency with enough money, ideas and room to move, to attack the substantial and complex economic difficulties of the country.

Consequently, the Government's determination to set up by the end of the year, a Welsh Development Agency, a body working to a coherent plan and with more than a dash of entrepreneurial spirit, has been broadly welcomed. The first job is to establish that coherent plan.

That is not to say, however, that the welcome has been unanimous. The proposal to establish a unit with such far-reaching influence and power was bound to provoke controversy. Some people have expressed their doubts and objections about some of the powers—and the Conservatives tried to ambush the Welsh Development Agency Bill in the Commons, saying it was "an extension of Bennery".

County councils and the Welsh wing of the Confederation of British Industry expressed concern about certain aspects: the councils were worried that some of their powers would be eroded and the CBI is hostile to the idea of the agency having equity holdings in companies. But the philosophy behind the founding of the agency, and the machinery and resources that will give it muscle, make sense to most; and so the agency has wide support.

There is hope now that, with £150m in its purse, a staff of more than 450 and the hard lessons of the past thoroughly learnt, the agency will play a central role in the restoration and growth that Wales needs and deserves.

"Past attempts to plan the development of Wales have been too fragmented, with too many bodies involved", Mr Ian Kelsall, the CBI's Wales secretary, said. "An agency taking an overall view—a go-getting agency working to a development strategy—is something we warmly approved."

The scope and importance of the agency's work makes its founding, coupled with the transfer yesterday of powers from the DTI to the Welsh Office under the 1972 Industry Act, the largest devolutionary step since the Welsh Office itself was established 11 years ago.

Mr John Morris, Secretary of State for Wales, who has worked hard to launch the agency, says he wants it to be a powerhouse to rejuvenate the economy and environment of Wales. Certainly, it will have an impressive range of functions. It will promote industrial development, draw up a plan for growth and provide investment capital for industry. It will ensure that industrial sites and advance factories are available, take on responsibility for the clearance of derelict land, and see that there is development not only in the traditional industrial areas, but also in rural Wales.

The agency will take over most of the role of the Department of Industry in Wales, including the assets and responsibilities of the Welsh Industrial Estates Corporation, which has a

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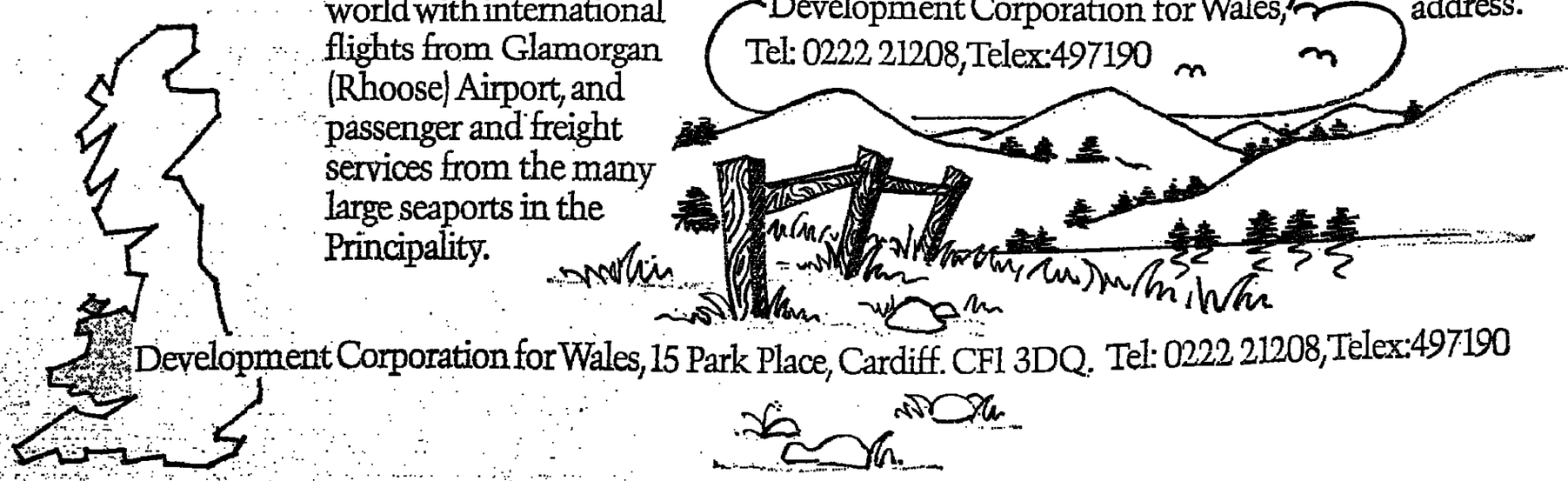
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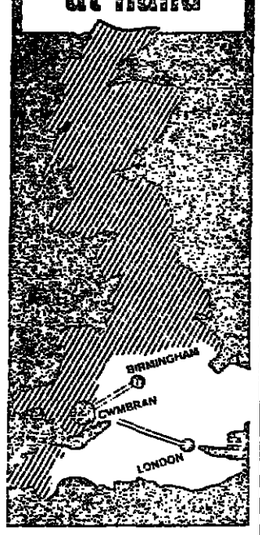
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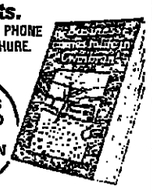
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Size and population imbalance reveals two-tier faults

by Christopher Warman
Local Government Correspondent

Reorganized local government in England and Wales has demonstrated, during its first year of existence, all the weaknesses and problems envisaged. High inflation has made the situation more difficult, and however hard the staff and members of the new councils have striven to make the system work, few impartial observers—and not many partial observers—would say it has been a success.

The situation in Wales, is, if anything, worse than in England: its different balance between population and size, and the consequent effect on financial resources, has exposed the faults of the two-tier system more clearly.

The result is that, despite government insistence that there will be no more reorganization in the next two decades, pressure is growing in Wales for just such a development. It is strengthened by the transformation coming with devolution, and we may see radical changes in the local government scene there well within that time-scale.

The need for fundamental reform was probably greater in Wales than in England, for the local authorities, particularly in central Wales, have small populations dotted across the countryside. Ratable values are low, and although this has been partially offset by the system of central government grants, it has still been difficult to maintain a standard of public services comparable with that enjoyed in other areas.

Suggestions for a unitary system, including those of Redcliffe-Maud, came to nothing, and the Conservative Government in 1971 announced new proposals in line with their policy for England, establishing the two-tier system.

Originally there were to be seven counties, with Glamorgan split into two, but in the final reorganization proposals the county was split three ways. This caused strong opposition, since it created the new county of South Glamorgan, with only two districts—based on Cardiff and Barry; and Cardiff's size ensured that it must also control the county council.

So eight new counties came into being, above 37 districts, with the community councils below them.

The merging of some of the counties has caused much of the criticism, particularly with Powys, formed by the old Breconshire, Montgomeryshire and Radnorshire. Powys, second in size only to Dyfed (Cardiganshire, Carmarthenshire and Pembrokeshire), has only 100,000 inhabitants. Indeed, there are more sheep than men.

The distance from one end of the county to the other makes it almost impossible to create a common identity, even if those in the extreme south wanted to be identified with those in the far north. To add to Powys's problems, it has the lowest ratable value of all the counties in England and Wales, and it is difficult to see it as a financially viable unit.

As in England, the split of the planning function (or "duplication" as its critics describe it) between county and district is one of the worst aspects. Pembrokeshire for example, used to have one planning department, with the district planning function performed by county staff. Now it has four planning authorities, causing duplication and delays. The planning staffs have not increased greatly because enough planners cannot be found to fill the established posts—causing further delays.

The districts, many of them small—such as Radnor with less than 19,000 inhabitants—guard their own powers jealously in the face of the large and often cumbersome counties. Cooperation between the two tiers has improved since they were first created, but a certain amount of duplication remains.

As the bottom tier, the community councils are almost forgotten. They have been largely squeezed by the districts above them.

The local authorities in Wales, already unhappy with their lot, reacted with dismay when it was announced that they would not be allowed to exercise the function of their counterparts in England over land acquisition proposed in the Community Land Bill. Despite their protests, however, the Government seems determined to stand firm and give that function to an all-Wales body.

It is, perhaps, unfair to judge local authorities after just one year in the most difficult economic circumstances, but the feeling is undoubtedly growing that there must be another reorganization in Wales. The latest rate rises added fuel to the protest fire, for on average rates in the Welsh districts rose this year by about 50 per cent for domestic ratepayers, higher than anywhere else except London.

This was largely due to the level of domestic rate relief. Whereas Wales, because of exceptional circumstances, had received 33.5p compared with 13p in England in 1974-75, the figures for 1975-76 were 36p and 18.5p. The proportion of relief for Wales went down.

The coming of the Welsh assembly offers the opportunity for a change in local government. There is no reason why it should, for the assembly would not remove any of the existing powers of the local authorities, but it could provide the occasion if the pressure is great enough. Although the Government has made it known that it will not itself consider any reform of the local authority system, it has equally hinted that if the pressure is strong enough it will have to take note.

A working party of the Welsh counties' committee has been looking at the possibility of a single-tier all-purpose local government system, and is considering various formulas. The committee chairman, Mr Jack Brooks, leader of the Labour majority group on South Glamorgan County Council, is a firm believer in such a system, with strengthened community councils below. Many local government officers, too, feel that with the assembly, a unitary system will inevitably come, because of the increasingly prohibitive cost of the present system.

The one lesson which could be learnt from the recent reorganization is the need to reorganize all parts at the same time. Finance was not changed with the new system, and the result has been painfully obvious.

Therefore it is possible that the coming of the assembly could herald another new local government system for Wales, an unpleasant upheaval but perhaps necessary.

Farmers prefer life in the N

by Roland Brooks
Western Mail

Despite last autumn's blockade of Welsh ports in protest against Irish meat imports and the more recent complaints about the "dumping" of French eggs on to the home market, farmers in Wales are pleased that the referendum decision was in favour of continued membership of the EEC.

That might sound like a contradiction, but each protest was against a specific issue and did nothing to change the general belief that farmer prospects in Wales, as in the rest of the United Kingdom, are brighter inside the Community than out.

In essence, provided they get a reasonable return for their produce, farmers do not mind whether it comes from the market place, under the EEC intervention system, or through the British system of guaranteed prices.

In the past 12 months Welsh farmers have felt that they have had a poor return, and this has led to a rapid fall in confidence and a cutback in stock numbers.

The latest Ministry of Agriculture returns (for March) show that the Welsh dairy herd fell by 8,500 (2.4 per cent) during the preceding 12 months and the beef herd by 1,000 (0.5 per cent). The number of heifers in calf was also down, from 101,781 in March last year to 91,567 this year, a sure indication that confidence has not yet been restored, despite the better market prices now prevailing.

Pig production, which suffered badly last year, has also experienced a savage cutback. Compared with March last year, the pig breeding herd in Wales was down by 5,300 (21 per cent). But compared with last December there was a rise of 600 (3 per cent).

Sheep figures are not given in the March returns but at the end of last year the number of sheep and lambs in the principality was up by 16,420 (0.4 per cent) on December, 1973.

The cutback in cattle and pig numbers and the loss of confidence which led to it is blamed almost entirely on the British Minister of Agriculture, Mr Fred Peart, and the Government in this country rather than on the EEC agricultural policy.

Before the referendum the National Farmers Union circulated its county branches with a brief outlining the advantages of continued EEC membership. It said that if Britain were to withdraw, guaranteed prices would presumably be reintroduced. But farmers had to ask themselves whether the guarantees would be set at high enough levels during what would certainly be a period of great economic difficulty, and whether the Government would maintain the guarantees during times when, because of cheap imports, the Exchequer commitment to deficiency payments might be heavy.

Experience in the 1960s showed that the answers to both questions would almost certainly be "no", the union concluded. That summary and conclusion seemed to be in direct agreement with the opinion of most farmers in Wales.

Despite inquiries with unions and anti-marketeers, both in and out of Parliament, it proved impossible to find a farmer totally opposed to EEC membership because of the Common Agricultural Policy. Farmers, like everyone else, have their personal views of the political implications of the EEC, but in a strictly business sense the great majority obviously think they will do far better in Europe.

That does not mean that they are entirely happy with the CAP. Most recognize that as well as the advantages there are serious disadvantages to the present EEC pricing system, particularly as far as they are concerned during the next few years until Britain becomes a full Community member.

Welsh farmers would like to see the transition period abolished so that they could have full EEC prices immediately. Although they know that originally the idea of a five-year "getting to know you" period was designed to protect British farming interests, they feel that because of the rapid rise in world prices for the industry's raw materials (fertilizers and animal food, for instance) their input costs are the same as other farmers in the Community and their returns should also be similar.

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Rhetoric instead of action on motorway project

by Geraint Talfan Davies

On the day that the Queen or Prime Minister cuts the silk to open the final section of the M4 across South Wales, Welsh politicians will be divested of an issue which has been the basis of a staple flight of rhetoric in speeches for the past 20 years.

The M4 has been, quite rightly, revered among government projects in Wales. The difficulty is that west of Newport only rarely can you see it, touch it or ride on it. The South Wales motorway, in various guises, has been talked about ever since a government committee investigated the region's problems in 1921. It will have taken 80 years to become a reality, for even the original completion date of 1978 has begun to recede.

Until the recent crisis the project has been scrupulously excluded from the worst cuts in public expenditure, yet despite the establishment of the Welsh Office 11 years ago the 40 miles between Cardiff and Swansea remain one of the worst stretches of road between two large towns anywhere in Europe.

The timetable of planning and construction has failed to match the urgency of the rhetoric. It is precisely the kind of situation in which, devolutionists say, an elected assembly would have shown its strength.

The Welsh Council, in a report on roads published last year, laid emphasis on two difficulties. The M4 was never conceived as one road: rather it was a succession of bypasses that had to be linked. This has involved a series of separate public inquiries into each section.

The Welsh Council considers that at these inquiries there has been "inadequate representation concerning the economic value of road expenditure". The council thought that representative bodies such as the Wales TUC, the CBI and the Development Corporation for Wales should come to the inquiries and put the economic case for the roads. In addition, the council wanted to see increased staffing levels in the Welsh Office roads division, but though the situation has been looked at no additions have been made.

On the main east-west link in North Wales the A55, only 10 of the 50 miles have been given dual carriageway and the official estimate is that it will be another eight years before the whole distance is covered. The difficulties caused by the present state of east-west links in North Wales were highlighted again only a few weeks ago when a company which could have brought employment to a hard-pressed area turned down a site near Caernarvon.

The sagas of the M4 and A55 should not be allowed to obscure the effort and achievement represented in the road programmes of recent years. Expenditure on trunk roads in Wales has risen from £7.3m in 1968 to £24.3m in 1973 and is expected to reach £40m in the present financial year.

On a per capita basis, expenditure has been much higher in Wales than in Scotland or England, but the Welsh Council in its report made the point that such comparisons are valueless since they take no account of past expenditure. Nor do they allow for the fact that industrial investment in Wales during the past 10 to 12 years has been running at twice the rate in the rest of the United Kingdom on a per capita basis, and that commensurate expenditure on roads is needed to make the most of that industrial investment.

South Wales already enjoys superb links by way of the M4, the Severn Bridge, the M50 and M5 with South east England and the Midlands. A substantial section of the Cardiff-Merthyr road, the A470, has been transformed into a quasi-motorway, while farther north in mid-Wales the reconstruction and realignment of many of the more tortuous sections has made the journey between North and South far more tolerable, though perhaps not significantly quicker.

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Welcome for development agency

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staff of 300, experienced in the task of planning and managing government industrial estates and advance factories.

The WDA will also have the powers of aid to industry that in England will be carried out by the National Enterprise Board. This is one of the most important powers that Mr Morris has been able to secure. The WDA will not be a mere arm of the NEB; it will be independent. On the other hand, the NEB will not be prevented from operating in Wales, and its influence will be felt presumably when it acts to support, or nationalize, large British firms with Welsh plants.

The exact dividing line between the agency and the NEB is critical. Many factories in Wales have parent companies in England, but to many economists and businessmen, a WDA which does not have all the industry and development west of Offa's Dyke within its ambit would be considerably weakened.

In any case there will have to be close links between the WDA and the Department of Trade and Industry as a way of ensuring that Wales is kept firmly in mind when companies are seeking industrial development certificates and are being steered to development regions. This WDA-DTI link is something that both the CBI and the Wales TUC are anxious to see maintained.

The exploration and exploitation of the Celtic Sea also comes into the WDA's operations: the agency will ensure that the services, the roads and industries needed to tie in with oilfield development will be ready.

There is another important aspect of the agency's work, too, which is to go out and tell businessmen and industrialists what Wales had to offer.

As part of this selling function, the agency will take over some of the funding of the Development Corporation for Wales, whose main function is to attract investment and which organizes many trades missions abroad. The corporation gets £63,000 a year from the Government, £40,000 from industry and £19,000 from local authorities.

The agency will also take responsibility with local authorities for the work of derelict land clearance.

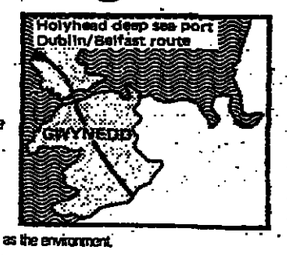
This work, a crusade in Wales since the Aberfan disaster, has cleaned up more than 6,500 acres. The Secretary of State wants the rate of clearance nearly doubled—10,000 acres in the next five years. The agency will pay the entire cost of local authority schemes, instead of 85 per cent, the present share. The agency will also be able to do its own clearance schemes and will have compulsory purchase powers to acquire land for development.

The WDA will be a statutory body, run by a chairman with a small board and a chief executive. It will be responsible, at first anyway, to the Secretary of State. There is a strong feeling that the agency should be accountable eventually to the elected Welsh Assembly, when it is set up.

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...e core of the difficul... is the geological condi... in many pits. Faulting, soft roofs, soft floors, enormous pressures and old workings introduce an element of unpredictability and need expensive remedies and precautions. Machinery which is ideal in the easier conditions of English pits may not be completely effective in many operations in Wales. And because a lot of pits *are small there is restricted* scope for switching workforces to other sectors when there is a geological setback.

The average daily output from a Welsh pit is 850 tons; the average for the rest of Britain is 2,000 tons. *Moreover*, a third of the material raised to the surface is dirt that has to be washed out.

Demand is very high

In a sense the 15 profit-making pits—and some, like Oakdale, Deep Navigation, Merthyr Vale and Cwm are earning more than £200,000 a month—are carrying the others. But that is not the whole story. Some pits are only temporarily unprofitable because of a variety of difficulties. And the demand for the coal, from steelworks, power stations and the domestic heating market, is very high.

Even in a major modern pit like Cynheidre, near Llanelly, which can sell every ounce of the high quality anthracite it produces, the underground conditions mean that the pit makes a loss.

In spite of steeply rising *costs the coal board* and the unions are reducing losses and improving productivity. The hope is that the regular output per manshift will settle at more than 30 cwt this year and that costs can still be saved. There is no longer the serious shortage of men *that there was 18 months* ago: a steady flow of new young men has brought down the average age of the 31,600 South Wales miners to 43. But while new men are being trained many of the coalface teams are short-handed; ideally, 32 *per cent of the workforce* should be at the face, but the figure today is about 30 per cent.

Through stringent economies, greater mechanization and higher productivity, the industry hopes to reduce the Welsh loss this year to *£20m or less (it was £30m* the year before last) and it wants to work steadily towards reducing the cost of mining a ton of coal by £1.50, which would enable the coalfield to break even.

In the end, of course, more mechanization, higher productivity and economies can achieve only so much and it is the relationship between the men and the management that is fundamental. The essence of mining is teamwork and the coal board and the National Union of Mineworkers in South Wales have gone a long way in the past two or three years towards making consultation and worker-involvement a genuine part of *efficiency and approach to* the task; it is not just a label.

Men involved in tactics

Coal board policy papers on such things as marketing and investment are an open *book. Proposals for under*ground developments and production targets are discussed and shaped by the management and unions. The men are involved in the strategy and tactics, although both the NUM and the coal board would like *closer involvement* and a better communication of current thinking to the men in the pit.

*Morale is generally reck*oned to be high and absenteeism, one of mining's complex problems, has been reduced by 1.5 per cent to 16.5 per cent. Mining in South Wales always has been and always will be, hard in every sense. But, in the rooms where men and management meet, and underground where the talk is translated into action, progress is being made towards the striking of balances.

Efficiency, but fewer jobs

Efficiency is the key to what is happening in the Welsh steel industry today. The British Steel Corporation is working through its policy of developing larger and better steelworks, *reducing the overall number* of plants and cutting the workforce. It is a controversial and, at times, a painful process.

The key to success, and to survival, in the corporation's view, is bulk steelmaking carried out at basic *oxygen plants close to the* coast. A basic oxygen converter can produce 300 tonnes of steel in 40 minutes; an open hearth furnace is 10 times slower. At present a third of British steel is made by the basic oxygen method and the in*tention is to end open* hearth working in this decade.

Wales represents a third of the British steel industry: it has a third of the capital, the manpower, the wages and the rates bill. And with 64,000 people on the payroll it is the largest single employer in Wales. The modernization strategy involves an investment of *more than £1,000m over 10* years to expand steelmaking capacity from eight million to 10 million tonnes.

Most of the investment will be concentrated at Port Talbot, one of the great steelworks of the world, and at Llanwern.

At Ebbw Vale steelmaking is ending, with the phased loss of 4,500 jobs, although £50m is being spent to secure 4,000 jobs by making the plant an important tinplate and galvanized sheet centre. Shotton steelworks, in North *Wales, employing 6,500 men,* and East Moors works in Cardiff, 4,000 jobs, were originally scheduled for closure. But the Beswick report on the industry granted them reprieves until 1980.

The corporation has com*mitted itself to helping the* communities hit by redundancies and in Ebbw Vale is cooperating in the joint effort of government departments and local authorities to bring new work to the area.

Meanwhile, there are the immediate and pressing difficulties of the steel industry. The recession in steel has led to reduced working everywhere and the Welsh steel plants are running at only a third of their normal capacity. Later this month the Shotton works will be closed for two weeks because of the lack of orders.

Cost saving programmes designed to avoid redundancies have led to some reduction in wages. The steel industry in Wales is trying to *shape itself to meet the* demands of customers and the competition offered by highly-efficient steel industries in other parts of the world. In the meantime there is a storm to ride out.

Slowing exodus of the young

by David Parry-Jones

Beneath us the Severn shimmered and made its way *towards the English plain* and the conversation on the bridge had become desultory in the afternoon sun. But one of the locals still wanted the last word. "It's not really a New Town they're building here", he declared. "It's more like a *New Village.*"

True. Newtown in Powys (its original Latin name *Villa Nova* uncannily anticipated the planning jargon of the twentieth century) will never be as grand as Stevenage, Cwmbran and the rest. Nevertheless, in *the past five years it has* become a place that thinks big as it undergoes a piece of transplant surgery designed to bring new heart to mid-Wales. The operation is costly and complex, but the signs are that the patient will get better.

Since 1945 many policies for stemming depopulation in rural Wales have been conceived and shelved. In 1964 the first Secretary of State for Wales, Mr James Griffiths, proposed the construction of a New Town for 70,000 people up in the hills, but by the start of the seventies the Welsh Office had settled for a more modest scheme: to double the population of Newtown, once a flourishing textile centre, from 5,500 to 11,500 by 1980.

The aim was to stem the flood of young emigrants from the Welsh heartland by providing them with busy, modern environment not too far from the hamlets and farmsteads which could no longer support them as the agricultural work-force continued to shrink.

Newtown was a good choice. It had a rural catchment area 25 miles across, and lay in a Development *Area; it was not too remote* from the industrial Midlands; as an established community it already pos*sessed basic amenities; and* it had space for expansion.

But cash was needed to bait the hook, and since 1968 the Treasury has provided £8.5m. A specially-created agency, the Mid-Wales Development Cor*poration, has spent the* money, in two principal ways: on the construction of houses for workers and on the laying out of factory estates to entice light industrial firms.

From the outset, the corporation was blessed with good helmsmen—a shrewd chairman in Mr Emrys Roberts, once an MP, and a gifted chief executive, Mr Peter Garbett-Edwards. They can boast of 450 *houses completed in five* years, with another 600 in the pipeline, and 32 factories, with a further dozen to be ready by 1977. Roughly two-thirds of the 2,200 jobs needed to sustain the projected population have been created.

"But statistics don't tell the whole story", Mr Garbett-Edwards says. "With the help of technical experts from Cwmbran we're creating an environment that is really good to live and work in." And on *the neat, attractive housing* estates he introduces you to housewives who are delighted with their three-bedroomed semis at £6 a week; and menfolk who glory in the fact that they can glance out of the factory window and see sheep *and buttercups in an adja*cent meadow. Moreover, wages at £50 a week compare well with earnings in the grimy Midland conurbations.

The housing policy is crucial to the corporation's campaign to bring tenants *to its factories, for essential* labour can be accommodated the moment an industrialist takes the decision to move his firm to Newtown. But Mr Arthur Lewis, executive director of Myers, which manufactures office equipment, underlines the other incentives which drew in his company: a low-rental factory (nothing to pay for two years), grants for machinery, loans for raw materials, and the regional employment premium.

Myers was a thriving concern before it came to Newtown, but at the other extreme Mr Del Renfrew, supplying plastic containers to the cosmetics industry, began in 1972 with one employee. Now he has a staff of 27 and a turnover of £250,000 a year.

Just as the size of new firms varies, so do the products made by them: from neckties to aircraft propellers, from steel fabrications and gear-boxes to gramophone records and golf clubs. Encouragingly, most of the enterprises are proving sturdy enough to resist the cold wind of recession.

Thanks to good liaison between the Development Cor*poration and neighbouring* local authority departments, provision of schools, roads and sewerage systems has kept pace with the social and industrial advances. The community itself has responded with evidence of fresh vitality like the growth of infants' playgroups, increased atten*dances at Rotary and Inner* Wheel meetings, and a booming rugby football club.

In so beautiful an area as the Severn valley it would be hard to suffer from New Town blues; on the other hand, Newtown is not being transformed without an occasional twinge of growing pains. Some of the old brigade still profess unease at the change in their lifestyle, and even jealousy at the new homes provided for the immigrants.

A *community centre* exists, but the new estates do not yet boast their own "local". Children say wist*fully that there is no swim*ming pool or discotheque and only one rather elderly cinema. But the mayor, Mr W. G. Davies, says philosophically that you can not please everyone and insists that the atmosphere in his township is basically friendly and tolerant.

Well, is the project working out as the politicians hoped? Not until the 1981 Census can it be said for certain that the 4 per cent depopulation rate *experienced by mid-Wales* in this century has been checked. Mr Emrys Roberts, though, claims that there are clues pointing in the direction of success.

"Properties are beginning to be snapped up in surrounding villages like Kerry, Montgomery and Berriew", he says, "and country schools are appointing extra teachers to cater for more pupils. We know that workers commute from the surrounding countryside to our factories and of the 380 *new families in New*town itself 81 *are from mid* Wales.

"We feel sure that young people who would otherwise have had to go far afield to find work are now happy to take jobs at Newtown, close to the places where their roots lie."

The momentum needs to be kept up for a few years *yet, and a further £3m of* government money is to be put at the Development Corporation's disposal. For the inhabitants of Newtown there will be more horrie, bulldozers, cement-mixers, noise and dust to endure. *But in the long run both* the cash outlay and the environmental upheaval may seem a small price to pay for the regeneration of a town—and indeed of a whole territory.

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Although there is apparently a belief in some government circles that the oil companies will keep to their commitment, made when they took out licences, to drill 27 wells before March, 1978, the chances of their doing so, with 1975 a blank year, are remote.

The major oil companies are not drilling—and until they do so it is unlikely that the smaller concerns will take the enormously expensive plunge.

The oil companies are holding back from the Celtic Sea because of the demands on their resources east of Shetland; because of *the attraction of countries* like Portugal and Indonesia; because of inflation and high costs—it costs up to £2m to sink an exploratory well and there may be 10 or 15 tries before oil or gas are struck.

There is also uncertainty over future government policy regarding the terms *of oil exploitation. Some of* the companies feel they can make a case with the Government for an extension of their licences which, at the moment, cover 44 seabed blocks.

Cautious and experienced oil hands point out that oil hunting is always a multi-million pound gamble. Seismic surveys show that the rock beneath the Celtic Sea could be oil-bearing, and expert opinion holds that there is definitely oil there in commercially large quantities, *but there is nothing* quite like the sight and the smell of the evidence.

It was natural enough that Pembrokeshire should become excited about the prospect of an oil boom. The towns on Milford *Haven, one of the world's* great harbours, are ideally placed to service an offshore exploration and *exploitation operation. The* town of Fishguard, too, would make a good base.

In an area of traditionally high unemployment—in Pembrokeshire it is more than 7 per cent, in the town of Pembroke Dock 12 per cent—the idea of an oil rush raised hopes. When the people saw on television and read in their newspapers about the developments in the Scottish offshore oilfield, their interest quickened. For many people *it was a case of "Scotland* today, Wales tomorrow".

Many Welsh businessmen and council officials went to Scotland to see what was happening. They were impressed by Aberdeen's boom and returned to set up the range of facilities that are needed when a major offshore operation gets under way.

The local airfield was *resurfaced and fitted with* landing aids, helicopter pads were built and so were jetties. A committee was established by the Welsh Office to guide developments and the local authority produced a useful guide of 240 local firms and services eager and willing to do business with the oil companies.

Today, however, Pembrokeshire has come down from its cloud of optimism, has recognized the reality of the situation, and marked *time.*

At the beginning of this year the local business community hoped that four or *five wells might be sunk* this year because nothing stimulates interest more than a rig drilling in the area. "Now we'll just have to keep our fingers crossed for next year", a company director said.

Mr Peter Hancock, managing director of a shipyard at Pembroke Dock, said: "Of course, it is a disappointment that no rig *has come this year, but at* least we are ready for the time when the oil companies renew their interest. I think most of us here recognize that the build-up of industrial activity creates an important opportunity for us to become involved in the international oil business. After all, we can make things that can go to any *oilfield in the world.*"

The Hancock firm is building a £1m pontoon barge and a diving barge for a *Norwegian company operat*ing in the North Sea field, and will also be building modules for oil platforms. *Another company in Pem*broke Dock is working through a programme of six modules.

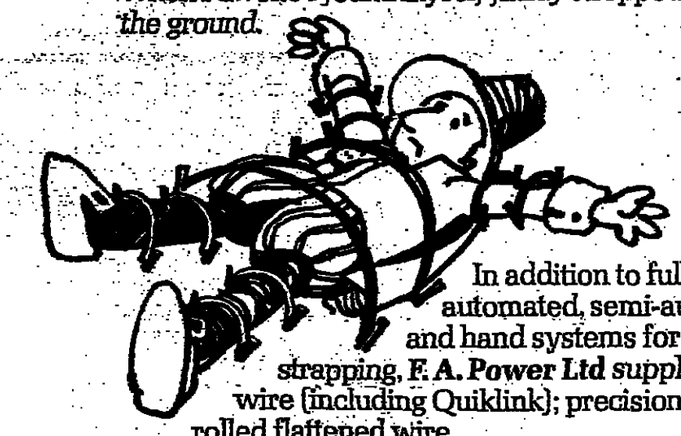
At the Hancock yard is a jetty, warehouses and other services built to meet the demands of oil companies engaged in *Celtic Sea work,* an investment of £500,000. Mr Hancock, like many businessmen in the area, is hoping that the climate will change next year and the oil companies' interest in the Celtic Sea will quicken.

"In Pembrokeshire today", he said, "the key word is patience."

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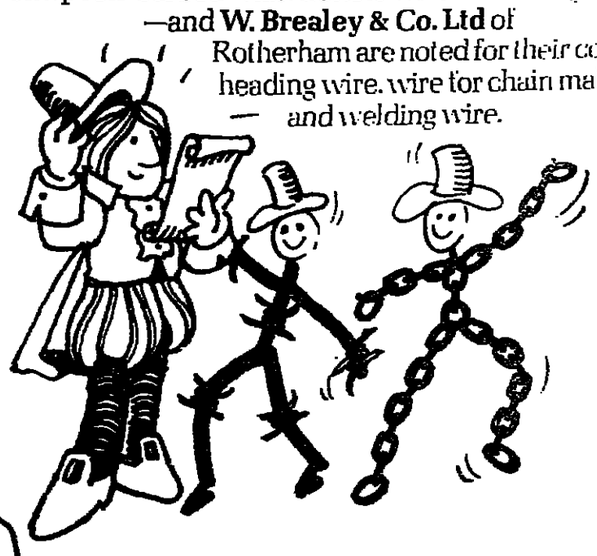


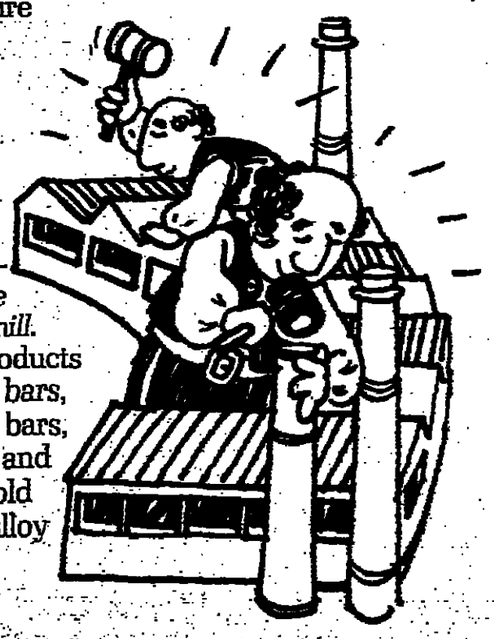
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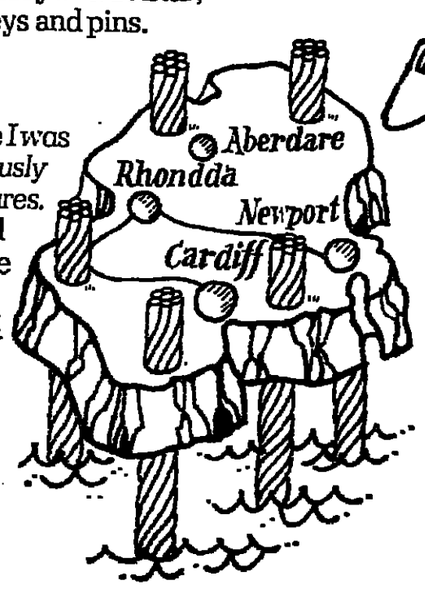


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Why North Sea oil will only give us a breathing space in the drive for more energy



Mr Benn: he should put the North Sea in perspective.

Mr Tony Benn's move to the Department of Energy has so far been taken as a milestone in Labour Party politics, or as a sign that syndicalism will now spread to the oil rigs. Whatever his faults, however, Mr Benn is an energtic minister, and his appointment comes at a time when there is more scope for vigorous and intelligent policy-making on energy than for the past two years. So what should Mr Benn set out to do?

Domestically, the biggest pitfall is to equate British energy policy with the efficient exploitation of the North Sea. The truth is that the North Sea reserves so far established amount to a little more than 1,000 million tons of oil, enough to supply the whole of Britain's consumption for less than a decade. No doubt there will be further discoveries but equally the oil not yet proved will be expensive oil, costing as much to produce as the $10.50 a barrel the oil companies are now paying in the Persian Gulf. In the early 1980s, North Sea oil will have an important and very beneficial effect on the balance of payments but by then, if industrial production does indeed revive, there will be an urgent need of other sources of energy as well. So one urgent need is that Mr Benn should put the North Sea in perspective—should recognize that it is not a permanent solution to the country's energy problems but merely a way of postponing some of them for half a decade.

So the new energy minister must pay attention to other sources of energy, energy economies included. After all, a barrel of oil not used is a barrel of oil that does not have to be extracted from the North Sea or brought in from abroad. To that extent, the television advertisements convey the right message.

What is wrong with them is that they do not sufficiently acknowledge that economizing in energy requires economic and not moral decisions. Now that the cost of energy in all forms has increased relative to the costs of other goods and services, some wasteful practices that were once profitable have become unprofitable and should in logic be stopped.

The Department of Industry's new unit should help to identify some of these, but there remains a need for making capital more easily available for the conversion of outdated machinery, one task that Mr Benn should tackle. A more urgent need is that energy consumers should pay the full costs of consuming energy, which means not merely a rigorous implementation of Mr Healey's promise that the subsidies for the gas, coal and electricity industries will be eliminated but also close attention to tariff structures.

But the Department of Industry should also acknowledge—and tell the country—that those who, perhaps from misguided patriotism, set out to save energy by investing more in new machinery or domestic insulation than they will recover in the cost of fuel saved are doing the country a disservice. They are wasting economic resources.

This is only one of the reasons why there also needs to be a more energetic development of sources of energy other than North Sea oil. As things stand, nuclear fission is the only practicable means by which extra amounts of energy can be produced in bulk in the remaining decades of this century. The numbers are impressive. Fourteen nuclear power stations of the kind on which development work began last year, each with a power output of 1,250 megawatts, would produce during their working lifetime as much electricity as could be had by feeding all the North Sea oil to conventional power stations.

It is true that nuclear technology raises novel problems of safety, but these loom large chiefly because of the lack of public discussion. So, in the circumstances, it is at once laughable and potentially disastrous that Britain's forward nuclear programme is now more modest than that of its European competitors.

Energy policy is not, in any case, simply a domestic matter. Last Thursday, Mr Benn told his European counterparts in Brussels that Britain's North Sea oil would not be shared out in Europe as if it were just another article of commerce. The Government's anxiety to acquire 51 per cent of the North Sea companies appears to stem from its anxiety that production should never exceed domestic consumption. This policy may, however, be shortsighted. If the price of oil holds up, in the early 1980s it may be more profitable to sell some oil for cash than to leave it under the sea. But in any case, it would now be more advantageous to trade freedom of access to North Sea oil for an agreement within the European Community, long overdue, that Britain and other manufacturers of energy-producing equipment, nuclear reactors and conventional electricity generators, for example, should have equal access to the markets for capital goods elsewhere in Europe.

Much depends on what will happen to the price of oil, and the past few weeks have shown clearly enough that we are coming to another turning point in the relationship between Opec and the oil consumers. The hints emerging from the Opec meeting in Gabon two weeks ago that there would be an increase of the price of oil in October were probably trial balloons rather than warnings of what may happen. For there are several signs that Opec may now be unable to maintain even the going price of $10.50 a barrel. Production by Opec members has fallen by 10 per cent or more in the past year, while the delay in the negotiations for full nationalization of the oil industry in Kuwait and Saudi Arabia is a sign that the oil-producing states realize there are disadvantages in shouldering the whole risk of selling in a market in which the price of oil has been driven up too far.

So one other cause that Mr Benn should now take up is that of persuading Opec that its prices are unrealistically high. This, of course, is not something to be tackled by a single European consumer, but by concerted efforts by the United States, western Europe and Japan. For the past year, Dr Henry Kissinger, who believes the price of oil should and could be lower, has been virtually friendless in Europe. Will Mr Benn turn out to be an ally?

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Raymond Fletcher

Woman's work is only just beginning



Mrs Sipila: Problems r to the status of women

It is 183 years since Mary Wollstonecraft published *A Vindication of the Rights of Women*, 137 years since the Chartists included a demand for women's suffrage in their first draft of the Charter (and then timidly dropped it), and 127 years since Elizabeth Stanton and Lucretia Mott organized the first Woman's Rights Convention at Seneca Falls in the United States. Women, it seemed to these pioneers of equal rights, had started on their way.

The way was to be a hard one. Throughout the nineteenth century there were hesitant little steps towards equality, the Isle of Man taking the first one in 1880, but it was left to New Zealand to take a stride forward by giving women the vote in 1893. Yet, on the eve of the First World War, only three other countries had followed this example; and it was not until it had been shown that modern wars could not be fought without women that they were given, albeit grudgingly, the right to vote in this country and others.

Further rights were written into the Covenant of the League of Nations. All positions in the organization, including those in its secretariat, were declared open to men and women. And when the International Labour Organization was established it accepted "the principle that men and women shall receive equal remuneration for work of equal value". Women, it seemed to the idealists of the 1920s, had finally arrived.

But they had not and they have not. This week at Lyons I have the embarrassing duty of presenting a report and a draft resolution on the present political rights and position of women to the Political Affairs Committee of the Council of Europe. I began work on it with a distinct prejudice against what is called "women's liberation". I have discovered, however, that beyond the freaks and the exhibitionists there is a powerful case and a good cause.

Though women have the right to representation in all the 18 member states of the council there is not a single one of their parliaments in which they are adequately represented. Sweden, as usual, has the best score in this particular international league table: 74 Swedish women sit in a parliament of 350—three of them as ministers. Denmark has 30 out of 179, including two ministers, and Norway 23 out of 155 with three ministers (including one with the charm, face and figure of a film star).

Belgium has moved up in the league since the election of March 1974, increasing its female parliamentary strength from eight out of 390 to 26 (14 deputies and 12 senators), and this may have been a by-product of the militant campaign waged by the Parti Féministe Unifié. It got only 0.5 per cent of the votes, but it certainly concentrated women's attention on unfair representation. French gallantry, of course, continues to stop at the polling booths. Only nine women sit in the National Assembly of 490 deputies. And those romantic Italians who so enrapture women tourists elect only 27 women to their Assembly and Senate, which have a combined membership of 945.

The situation is no better in the United Nations itself, which sponsored International Women's Year. Only one of its 16 assistant secretaries-general is a woman, and there are a mere 16 per cent of its 11,000 professional staff of the same sex. This in spite of the fact, pointed out by Mrs Helvi Sipila, Secretary-General of IWY, in this newspaper on April 23, that the biggest world problems—population growth, production, economic development—are directly related to raising the status of the female sense of the te... 500,000,000 women illi... the underdeveloped wo...

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Or do we fear (a... women included) ... acquisition of pow... responsibility will rol... of their femininity ... them all into ... Amazons? It may b... so in some cases, ... really exceptional wo... been able to break th... discrimination-barrier... or two may have ... denied in the proc... when women do not ... try so hard they will ... to become so hard.

In any case, wo... changing the shape ... and politics despite, a... because of, the ... arguments in favour ... doing so. As Profess... Gérard Schwartzenber... out in *Le Monde* on ... today's political life ... on words, power an... tions. Tomorrow's ... founded on experienc... and action. Aggres... competition for po... wrote, are being supp... the concept of servi... community, by loo... often spontaneously—... action for specific ... Grand rhetoric is ... place to practical h... ing.

The body politic, it ... going female whe... males like it or not. ... time that its nature w... ted in those who rep... in it. It is not only ... women should arriv... necessary.

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Bernard Levin

Wallowing away in the sheer beauty of strings

> 'If you think the trombone provides nothing for the wallower, I advise you to listen to the last thing it says at the end of *Die Walküre*, and think again'

I had a marvellous time on the South Bank all spring, wallowing in violin concertos. In the past few months I have heard the Beethoven, the Brahms, the Mendelssohn, the Lalo, the G minor, the Mozart No 3, the Glazunov, the Dvorak and the Sibelius (played by, among others, Stern, Perlman, Szeryng, and Zukerman, of whom more in a moment) and if it had not been for an immovable engagement I would have bagged the Tchaikovsky as well, thus leaving only the other Mozart ones, the Bartok and the Elgar (Speak not to me of Wieniawski, Berg, Paganini or even Bach; all worth hearing, I grant you, but not quite worth crossing the river for).

Note the verb I used at the outset: what I have been doing is "wallowing", and an odd reflection immediately arises, for I could not have used the word about a similar series of visits to piano concertos, not even if it had consisted of the Chopin, the Liszt, the Grieg and the B flat minor itself. You *cannot* wallow in a piano; somebody (I believe it was Christian Darnton) once went so far as to say that "to anyone who really loves music, the sound of a piano is unbearable", which is one of those remarks that threaten to undermine the reason altogether, like Hume's statement of the problem of induction, for as often as one dismisses it as nonsense, it rears up beside the piano and grins at us (this once happened to me in the middle of the Waldstein), and we find ourselves desperately building defences against the appalling conclusion that it is true. (Stravinsky, alone among great composers, solved the musical problem, as Popper the philosophical; he used the piano as a percussion instrument—which is, after all, exactly what it is.)

The violin provokes wallowing not merely in its sound but in one's memories. I suppose I have heard pretty well every leading violinist of the past three decades, and it is an odd thought that some of the greatest among those I heard in my youth were dead before the present generation of fiddlers were born; I have just given myself a nasty shock by looking up Bronislav Huberman, whom I heard play when I was but a lad (and whose version of the Beethoven was one of the first recordings I ever bought), only to discover that Brahms had admired his playing! (I am in good company, no doubt; but Brahms has been dead for quite a long time). There was Adolf Busch, too, who became Rudolf Serkin's father-in-law, and Ginette Neveu, killed in an aeroplane crash when she was only 30, and Jacques Thibaud, who died the same way, though at the age of 73.

Of course, the tradition of infant prodigies among violinists means that many of those I heard when I was young are still with us; Heifetz lives, though he plays no more in public; we still get regular visits from Milstein; and our beloved Yehudi is not yet 60—dammit, that means he was still in his twenties when I first heard him. Pointless and foolish to wonder which was the greatest of all, especially since in some cases it is like comparing a magnificent Bradenham ham to a perfectly-matured Stilton cheese. I remember once, for instance, hearing Heifetz and Mischa Elman play the Beethoven within a matter of days of each other; the one blue steel, the other liquid gold—both interpretations were perfectly valid, but no aesthetic balance exists on which they could be weighed together.

You can wallow in any stringed instrument, with the possible exception of the double-bass (is it or is it not true, as I have heard, that Koussevitsky once played the Mendelssohn Violin Concerto on that instrument, just to show that it could be done?), in any woodwind, and in the French horn, though in the last case composers have given us surprisingly little opportunity to do so. I rather think it is impossible to wallow in a metal flute, or in the other members of the brass family, though there are exceptions; if you think the trombone provides nothing for the wallower, I advise you to listen to the last thing it says at the end of *Die Walküre*, and think again. (Mind you, I believe nobody has ever written a trombone concerto, though Haydn wrote one for trumpet, and very jolly it is, too, even by his standards.)

The cello and the viola are ideal wallowing instruments, as their very names onomatopoeically seem to suggest. But best of all is the violin, and no other instrument has inspired composers to so many passages of sheer beauty. The slow movements of the Brahms, the Bruch No 1 and the Tchaikovsky contain more luscious sound than a score of symphonies, and if I had to single out one moment in music as the most beautiful of all, I think I would choose the passage for the violin in the first movement of the Beethoven, immediately after the cadenza, as the orchestra rejoins the soloist with the strings playing *pizzicato*. (Another moment in the same work that never fails to send my blood-pressure up is the soloist's left-handed *pizzicato* in the last movement. I know that a left-handed *pizzicato* is child's play to any competent fiddler, but it always looks like magic to me.)

The fiddler who stands midway between the generations (though as a matter of fact he is less than five years younger than Menuhin) is Isaac Stern, in his prime at 55, and whom I have just heard play the Brahms as well as anybody ever did in my experience. But what a marvellous generation is coming along behind! Perlman, and the beautiful Kyung-Wha Chung (she has *six* equally musical siblings, whose equally melodious names I once heard her recite with a sound like a peal of temple bells), and above all Pinchas Zukerman. This amazing infant—he is 27, if you please, and so tall, handsome and Mephistopheleanally bearded that you can scarcely hear his fiddle for the thuds of the ladies in the audience fainting away—gives the impression that he simply cannot understand why people say playing the violin is difficult; I believe he could play it with one hand if he cared to, and he has a tone that fair takes your breath away (if Heifetz's was steel and Elman's gold, Zukerman's, like that of the young Menuhin, is the finest silver). He is another of that group of younger musicians who apparently make music to enjoy themselves, and who are unlike most previous generations in that they go regularly to one another's concerts; Barenboim was in the front row at the QEH when Zukerman played the Mozart No 3. If he doesn't get bored with the instrument (he also plays the viola, incidentally) I think he will in time be absolutely without peer among violinists, for all that I was saying only a moment ago about such comparisons being odious. Of course, if I had persevered with my own violin-playing (I began at the age of seven and retired at nine, no doubt feeling that my performance of *The Bluebells of Scotland* left me no more worlds to conquer) somebody else might be writing this fiery column about me. Or not, of course.

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The Times Diary

Metaphorically speaking

As the Wimbledon fortnight nears its climax, tennis writers are sharpening their similes and metaphors so as to be at peak fitness for the testing days to come. Monday's match between Virginia Wade and Evonne Cawley gave them their best chance yet to show their skills, and they seized it like a parched man lapping up the last patch of brackish water at an understocked oasis. (Sorry, but read on and you will see where I have caught it from.)

Both Frank Rostron in the *Daily Express* and David Gray in *The Guardian* showed their familiarity with the works of our greatest dramatist by describing the Centre Court as Miss Wade's Heartbreak House. Extending the metaphor, Gray wrote: "But at last it seemed that she had mended the roof and stopped the wild wind rushing through the rooms." Both missed a trick when they failed to say whether either player had attained the seventh degree of concentration.

Gray also found inspiration in Mrs Cawley's (nee Goolagong) recent nuptials, though he betrayed a rigorous interpretation of the married state. "This was a honeymoon performance," he wrote. "She suddenly threw aside the casualness, the passiveness and the carelessness of her unconnected days."

The Times saved its cheekiest pun for a report of another game—between Christine Evert and Betty Stove. "Miss Stove heaped burning coals on the trim little American," quipped Geoffrey Green.

But nobody can rival the old master Peter Wilson, of the *Daily Mirror*, who has the knack of exciting all his senses at once. He began with a bizzare metaphor about Mrs Cawley: "There is no bread-and-butter about Evonne—either the jam is an inch thick, or it's yesterday's crust with a touch of mildew on it."

Having got that rather messy one out of the way, he was inspired by the sunshine to turn his attention to the out-of-doors. Mrs Cawley "seemed to be expanding her rich talents like some flowers unfurl their petals in the sunlight." But later her shots "like suicidal butterflies, buried themselves in the net". And later, "the court was a green web—but who was the spider, who the fly?"

Miss Wade, meanwhile, was "like a dark volcano—but yesterday a volcano under complete control", a phenomenon worth seeing. But Mrs Cawley won because of her backhand, "like the wave of the wand with which a conjuror produces the rabbit from the hat, or makes the lady vanish." Game and set to Wilson.

Not gay

The Campaign for Homosexual Equality summoned a press conference yesterday to explain a parliamentary bill which they have drafted in the hope that some MP will adopt it and win homosexuals the same rights under criminal law as heterosexuals enjoy. The trouble with parliament, they said, is that politicians are always saying that they cannot run ahead of public opinion. The homosexuals claim that the public support for their cause is much wider than politicians would believe.

The only contentious moment concerned the use of the word "gay". One purist suggested that it was being debased by its use as a description for homosexuals and, on the basis of the sombre and serious tone of the conference, he thought, it was not even appropriate.

The gays on the platform laughed gaily at this misstructure, and claimed that the word was the only description which they had chosen for themselves and which lacked discriminatory undertones. There was no reason why it should not have two meanings and, said their etymological expert, a century ago it was slang for prostitute.

In any case there was a linguistic distinction, because the abstract noun from one meaning of the word was "gaeity" and from the other "gayness". The two they said, seriously once more, need not be confused.

Not funny

The producer of the BBC's *Today* programme made the most sensible remark at yesterday's lunch to mark Free Enterprise Day. Escaping just before the comedy turned to farce, he whispered to me: "You'll have trouble satirizing this lot, mate."

I could only agree. What more can you say about a function attended by 400 journalists and captains of industry, at which the main event is the presentation of a Free Enterprise award to Sir Keith Joseph by his leader and close ally, Margaret Thatcher? A lunch at which every place had a pot of honey in front of it—a reference to the fact that a bee is the symbol of Aims for Freedom and Enterprise (neé Aims of Industry), who organized it? And which ended with everyone singing reluctantly *Freedom's Flag*, a new capitalist anthem which contains the lines:

Bureaucrats Technocrats and
base "No men"
Pessimists Communists and
"cry woe" men.

All easy targets for jokes. Yet the occasion—coming in the midst of a grave economic crisis—was deplorable for a more serious reason.

Aims for Freedom and Enterprise is financed by a number of industrial concerns. Many of them allege that Government financial policies prevent their making adequate profits for reinvestment or for increasing the pay of their workers.

Yet the lunch and Free Enterprise Day were a costly business. For almost the whole of June, hardly a day went by without a press release, a greetings card or some other piece of literature reaching me about the occasion.

We ate salmon mousse, roast lamb and an orange dessert, with cocktails, wine and liqueurs. All paid for out of the profits of ailing British industry. And do the workers get three hours for lunch?

Vigour

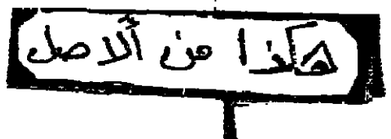
A number of you have asked why I have not written much lately about my Brixton allotment. One reader suggested that I had let it slide back into its former overgrown state and was ashamed to confess i... not so, but the trut... once most of the crops ... there is not much to ... weed them, water ... watch them grow, ... would find reports ... activities tedious.

It has been too hot ... do much reclaiming of ... portion, but I took ... of cooler weather la... to clear another yard o... now roughly half the ... under cultivation. In ... dug section I planted ... rows of cauliflower so... which I raised from ... a row of Kelvedon Wo... which are supposed t... able for late sowi... cauliflowers did not ... well initially to bei... planted, but I expect ... survive.

There have been ... failures, notably som... which germinated only ... and my last sowing o... similarly sparse. Yet t... the vegetables seem ... notably some very ... marrows, grown from ... some celery, bought as ... from East Street ... Walworth.

"You will have tro... celery," my mother-in-l... menacingly from Yorks... most gardening book... Yet they seem to enjo... the trench I prepa... them. And the very fi... I planted—the sugar... have been prolific. W... dinner party of ten on a ... week (though we had ot... as well).

E. C. Bradley of Oxf... impressed by the fran... a sign above a counte... fridges's sale: "RE... VALUE REDUCED."



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Focus on property

Plenty of houses

S the residential market is stuck in frums, testing every o see if it will pro- he momentum to he promised boom e horizon.

ptimism of the fore- is based on the fact e year has so far signs of recovery de intense problems . The indicators are ses, the stockpile of mes, and the number construction.

year represented the f the mortgage mar- er the boom which its peak in 1972 a record total of new mortgages. The ear it fell to 545,000 1974 dropped again 000. But in the first months of this year ilding societies have out 190,000 mort- which represents half the total for the of 1974.

October last year ckpile of unsold new grew to 56,000 but e figure is dropping gain. In February the le had fallen to and now it is said to ow 35,000.

has had some effect builders. There was point in considering onstruction while the major part of new estates went unsold.

Recent monthly figures show that some small confidence has been regained. In March the number of new homes started was 9,000 but the next month it was 14,000. The House Builders' Federation reports that starts in the first three months of 1975 are 14 per cent up on last year, but the average per month over the past three years is 12,000.

The industry has a long way to go to recover from 1974 and the federation feels that builders are being handicapped by the uncertain future created with the Government's plans for land. They also face the problem of rising costs, which are increasing by 2.5 per cent per month on materials alone.

So far these costs have not fully hit the buyer because of the general apathy of the market. One building society has estimated that prices rose by 6 per cent in 1974 compared with 12 per cent in 1973, while the first quarter of 1975 showed a rise of 2 per cent.

The general advice to the buyer is to try to get in while the going is good before the market climbs—taking prices, hit by inflation with it.

So far activity has centred at the lower end of the market. Most of the buying has been in the group at £12,000 and below and availability has dropped 21 per cent. This has probably been partly caused by the fact that building societies have been restricting themselves a good deal to first-time buyers and the low starts.

Builders, faced with stagnation in other sectors of the market, have taken advantage of the cheaper market to offload some of their costs. A report by the Incorporated Society of Valuers and Auctioneers suggests that in the first four months of 1975 prices may have jumped by 10 to 12 per cent.

As one moves up the scale from £12,000 one can see why the builders have taken advantage of the market. The second-time buyer is having difficulty shifting his first home and so he cannot move on. The situation reaches its worst at the levels above £20,000, where the houses for sale have fallen by only 5 per cent since the beginning of 1975.

Apart from new estates of luxury homes in the commuter belt, the stagnation problem has also hit the country home market. This was partly affected by the changes in tax allowances which removed relief on second mortgages, and the general decline of the economy.

Commuting costs have risen for those who wanted a complete home in the country while escalating rates have meant problems for those who split their week between urban and rural surroundings.

Like the new home situation it is the lowest end of the country home market which is showing signs of life. Vendors are discovering that they must make substantial cuts in price to reach the buyers, and one result has been that many properties have fallen from one price range into another.

One example of this is a large period home which went on to the market last year at £150,000. It has recently found a buyer but the price had plummeted to well below £100,000.

A general examination of regional differences in prices shows some interesting facts. There are suggestions that London and the South-east have remained static with an average price of £14,000. The North, and especially Yorkshire, remains far cheaper at somewhere down to £8,000.

Stewart Tendler

Not enough mortgages

building society re- running at record it is hard to imagine nortgages should still short supply. Yet this case. All the major ng societies are report- big increase in funds the same breath going say that their branch ers are still having to e on a quota system.

reasons for the short- between supply and d are rather more than one might ex- In the the first place s the obvious fact that loan demand is still g up on the 1974 on when it was almost ible to borrow from ociety at all. It is ied that this pent up d for mortgages has not been completely ed although the end ly is in sight.

econd fact which is mes overlooked has he societies' own need nserve more cash in form (ie bank de- government securities, han usual. Earlier in ar most of the societies still repaying the Gov- ent for their share in 500m loan made avail- to the societies during nd dearth in 1974. And higher tax bills to meet possible fears that in- rs might begin to with- their money quickly if major economic crisis arose, most societies have been keeping their cash-in-hand at around the 20 per cent of total assets level; usually it is around the 15 per cent mark.

Thirdly, both the Government and the building societies have been scared that a house price spiral, similar to that of 1971-73 when house prices rose by more than 40 per cent in the course of one year, could develop again. It is actually impossible to dampen down house prices when income and house prices are in the right ratio, but nonetheless the official view has been to play the present home lending boom as coolly as possible.

There are now signs that the approach is changing. The Government and the building societies both still accept the idea of a "stabilization fund" as a mechanism to be used for keeping house funds out of the market if this is considered desirable to stop house prices from "taking off". On the other hand, when the announcement was made a hint was given that the present level of home loan lending in relation to total funds available could be considered too low.

The recent figures for advances against house purchase are outstandingly high. In the first quarter of the year £964m was lent, a good average for the building society movement; in the next two months alone a total nearly as good of £924m was reached with commitments for June also running high. However, not everyone is so optimistic about the continuing very high level of net receipts into societies, particularly if interest rates rise later in the year. So the message is very clear: now is the time to get that mortgage application in.

While mortgage rationing continues of course, the societies will continue to play it by the rule book and hand out mortgages according to their list of priorities. Top of the list, as always, are first-time buyers and in particular first-time buyers who also happen to be buying a newly built home. This has the added virtue of helping to instil much needed confidence into the housebuilding industry. Purchasers of second-hand homes are next on the list and existing homeowners who are moving home because they are changing jobs.

There are some categories of borrowers who even now are unlikely to get a slice of building society funds. The wealthier borrower who is trading up will not receive too much sympathy from a society, particularly if he has made a handsome profit on his previous house (and if it were bought before 1970 this is still going to be true). Similarly, borrowers who want an advance in excess of the present special advances limit of £13,000 will not get much joy either. Some societies are lending in excess, but many will not. Thirdly, anyone hoping to raise a building society loan for a second home is almost certain to be disappointed.

First-time buyers now have a wide range of mortgage repayment methods to choose from. To the conventional repayment mortgage, endowment mortgage and option mortgage there has now been added the deferred payment scheme. The last has been favoured by the Government rather more than the societies who fear its inflationary nature.

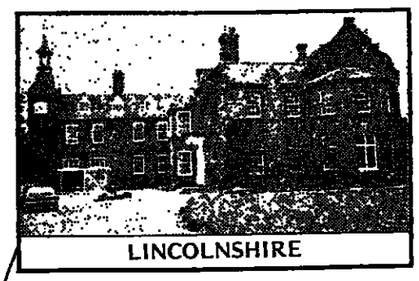
In essence the scheme allows first-time buyers to pay less in the first five years of their mortgage, pay the same as a conventional mortgage in the next five years, and thereafter pay rather more. Instead of paying all the interest owing in the early years, that interest is "capitalized" so that the outstanding debt is larger and ultimately, that is from year 11 onwards, more interest in total is payable. The system is only suitable for couples whose joint income is expected to rise progressively.

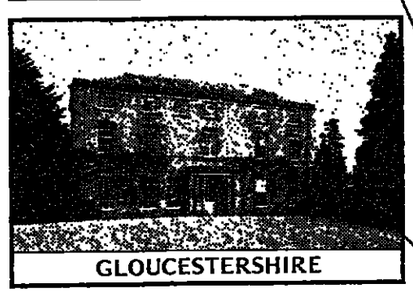
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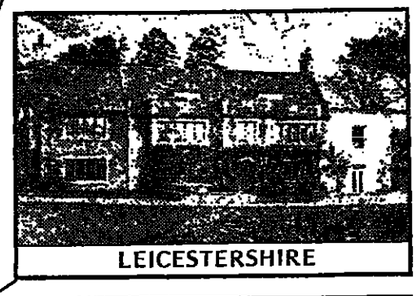
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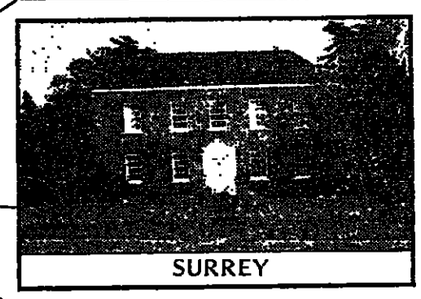

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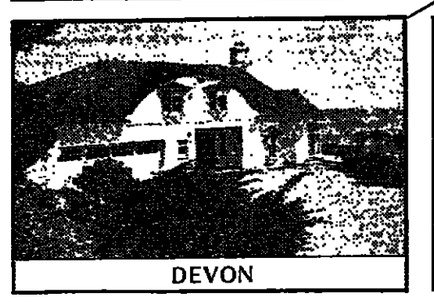

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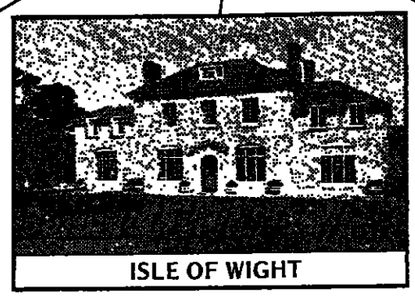

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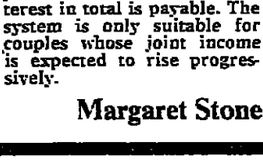
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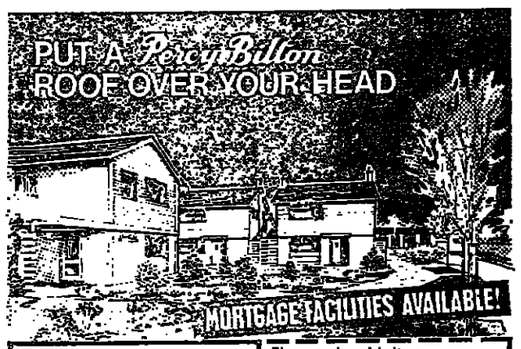
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With sales on the second-home front down generally, agents are concentrating on finding places for those who are going to live, and maybe work, abroad if not permanently, at least for a longish period.

The concession made recently for those of pensionable age, where if either the wife is 60 or the husband 65, then the premium-free emigration allowance is raised from £5,000 to £20,000, has not yet really had time to take effect: so this virtually untapped market is being wooed on the premise that it makes sense to save on heating and heavy clothing bills by retiring to the sun. Maybe the living is not that much cheaper (inflation knows no borders), but the little extras of life such as wine and cigarettes, usually are.

While it is possible to buy property in such exotic places as the Bahamas, Fiji and the Seychelles, France, Spain and the Spanish Balearics and Canaries still head the list for the British to buy in.

For those taking up jobs in Europe, as well as professional couples in Britain buying now for retirement later, the market in dilapidated cottages, farmhouses, barns and the like is still a promising sector.

The appeal of rehabilitation is strong, claims Nicholas Brimblecombe of Station House, South Cave, East Yorkshire. He specializes in budget-cost "do-uppables" in the French Dordogne as well as in Andalucia, at the back of Spain's Costa del Sol.

"In these areas it is still possible to buy somewhere with a bit of land for under £2,000, although it may well be a bit of a ruin. At this price working couples feel that they can afford to buy, even allowing for extras, then they will start on conversion gradually when they can afford to do so."

Just don't forget the traumas of conversion, though. They apply in any part of the world. At least Nicholas Brimblecombe can tell you about them from personal knowledge—I have kept a watching brief over the past five years on his father's village house in the Dordogne. On a visit this week I found the electricity had only just gone in, and everything in upheaval. The roof has been replaced by using the original tiles, but something still has to be done about a staircase!

Investing in a full-scale vineyard obviously requires big money and special arrangements with the Bank of England, but there are experts to see one through the extraordinary complexities on both sides of the Channel. Serious enquirers only should write to Robert Cholmley, Enceret, 11-15 Arlington Street, London, W1, whose forte is the grape-growing districts of France and Spain.

Knight, Frank & Rutley, 20 Hanover Square, London, W1, also in the cottage and chateau line at varying prices, do a useful *Farming in France* folder which includes details of vineyards and stock-rearing properties in the Bordeaux region.

Menorca is a popular retirement choice, and Sigi Federmann's Shangri-La, near Mahon, the capital, is at last getting under way. For even paradise has its setbacks, and in this case it has been the two-mile long Lake Albufera, centrepiece of the 1,200-acre golf and gorse estate.

To put it in its simplest form, building permission for the 100 plots sold round this beautiful stretch of water was refused because ecologists did not want the native wild ducks disturbed. But work on a dozen villas already under way has been allowed to go ahead, and as there was no objection to construction on any of the other 1,600 plots sold, lakeside landholders were offered an exchange or their money back. The company is insisting that they have every intention of maintaining any wildlife around the lake, which they point out had been noticeably absent until they had cleared it up.

A buying incentive is a mortgage scheme offered by the *Banco Hipotecaria de España*, of 60 per cent for five years once the customer signs the notarial act on the completed house, with interest at 8 per cent per annum on outstanding balances only. Prices for the few remaining stage I sites average around £2,000, stage II are nearer £4,500 and stage III up to £11,500. To build a small villa of two bedrooms and two bathrooms could cost about another £10,000. Brochures from Symonds International, 7 South Street, Farnham, Surrey, who are the British agents in conjunction with Euroalliance, Haleyford, Marlow, Bucks. Weekend inspection trips cost around £50 per person inclusive.

For some appropriate background reading on the actual mechanics of overseas living including educational facilities for the children, there is a booklet *Living & Working Abroad*, available at the end of July from 21A West Heath Road, London, NW3, for £1 including postage. It is a useful digest of immigration regulations in 41 countries.

June Field

Some optimism on the farm

Two years ago a considerable amount of money was chasing farmland as the City took its profits and looked for new investment. It was the day of the £1,000 acre and one property agent recently—perhaps wistfully—referred to a market where: "They would buy almost anything because it was land."

A number of individuals went very heavily into land and at one stage institutions such as the insurance companies and pension schemes were responsible for a quarter of all the acreage sold.

The problem for large individual holdings has been that if the industrial side has liquidity problems there can be little support from the land, which also requires a reasonable cash flow and takes longer to repay investment. The institutions left the market and went looking elsewhere for profit: figures for the six months up to the end of April show they bought a mere nine per cent of the acreage sold.

Current prices reflect the way the market—like so many other areas of the property business—has taken a fall since the boom period. At the end of April the average price of an acre with vacant possession stood at £545, while at the same time last year it was £779.

Tenanted land stood at £233 per acre, against a price of £508 per acre in 1974. Two years ago the institutions bought this type of land but, according to experts at the Country Landowners Association, there is now little interest.

There are occasions when higher prices for farmland are reached and reported. But close examination of the sale usually shows there were additional assets in the shape of an attractive house. This can push the price per acre to £700 with vacant possession.

The situation clearly got worse during 1974. One set of figures issued for sales shows that prices in the second half of the year were 22 per cent down on the first half. Now the market is talking about a resurgence and a renewal of interest which has hardened prices.

It is difficult to tell how much is fact and how much is a nervous attempt to talk the market up.

The sceptics who look askance at any optimism have a lot of facts on their side. They point out that a lot of land on offer is just not being bought.

At the same time government figures issued in March this year suggested that farm incomes have dropped by a third in the past year. The statistic was based on the farmers' total net income in the financial year.

But on the other hand the whisper from the optimists is that "the institutions are coming back", which would be one of he prerequisites for pushing up the market. One large estate agent has reported that there is considerable interest in a 12,000 acre estate in Scotland. Four or five institutions with over £20 million to spend between them are said to be vying for the land.

The market takes extra heart from the fact that the land is in Scotland which has never been very popular with buyers.

One estate agent explained the interest by the institutions on the basis that "if your base for investment has gone up to five or six per cent per year yield on rental and you can get a rent review every three years you can get some growth in the yield".

At the same time the market believes that a number of individuals are moving back to farmland as an investment. In some cases buyers are simply diversifying their assets and taking farmland in the same way that they may have been buying gold.

There are some buyers who have managed to take their assets and turn them into farmland but this sort of buyer may be looking for the middle range of farm. The large estates seem likely to remain the prerogative of the institutions.

An analysis of farmland prices early in the year saw little chance of any real improvement. This was deduced from the lack of city money, low returns, nervousness and the new forms of taxation.

The first factor may have changed slightly. The others remain, and there is considerable pessimism about the effects of the new taxation.

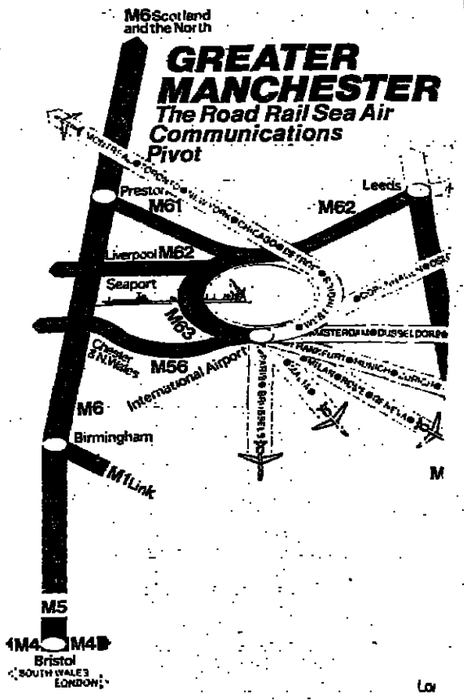
The feeling is that capital transfer and wealth taxation will discourage the individual buyer unless he can get vacant possession and farm himself. This could well produce a flurry of activity in this section of the market.

At the same time farmers will not be happy to invest in their land if it means that they will have to pay more tax. There will be a temptation not to do too much new work and this will effect productivity.

A recent report by the Agricultural Mortgage Corporation suggested that they were no longer lending government money for expansion but to help the farmer keep his status quo while diverting funds for future tax demands.

The opponents of the new taxes suggest that farmers will find it very difficult to realize assets to meet annual demands. They may try to sell off portions of land but this would only add to the glut. Few other farmers will feel encouraged to take the land and meet higher taxation in turn.

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or instance, it is often ght that rent rebates are lable only to council nts. In fact qualification based on income and estic circumstances, ardless of whether the son concerned rents from rivate landlord or a local hority.

eedless to say, these ates are payable by the ernment and not by the dlord, and are subject to tain conditions. Income ludes things like sickness unemployment benefit, sions, interest on savings l investments and family wances. Grown-up child- other relatives or gers in the home usually an a smaller rebate itlement.

urther details are con- ned in a leaflet, *There's ney off Rent*, obtainable m council offices, and ght help to avert many a sh between landlords and nants who protest that they paying too much.

Rate rebates are even less ll understood, to the ex- t that the Government has ently seen fit to run a despread advertising cam- ign. They almost certainly ply to many more people in rent rebates and, as the flet *How to Pay Less* es points out, are a form tax relief (not a "hand- t").

Like rent rebates they pend upon income and size family. There are no ome limits, but normally maximum rebate is £3.00 week in London or £2.50 ewhere.

Again to give some amples, a single person rning £30 a week and pay- ing £2 a week in rates could reclaim 56p. A couple with one child earning £40 a week and paying £3 in rates would be entitled to £1.25 back; with three children, the figure would rise to £1.73.

The leaflet, also obtainable from council offices, points out that rebates are granted only on local council rates and not on water rates or sewerage charges.

A more complicated subject altogether is that of improvement grants. For the benefit of those unable to make sense of the Housing Act 1974, the Department of the Environment has recently produced a booklet, *Your Guide to House Renovation Grants*, which divides grants into four basic types.

The most usual (and the most valuable) is the straightforward improvement grant for renovating or converting older houses. It is left to the council to decide when and where to make this type of grant and how much it should be, but the upper limit of the eligible expense is normally £3,200 a dwelling or £3,700 where a building of three or more storeys is converted into flats.

The council's discretion is not of course arbitrary, but it must generally be satisfied that the building will meet certain standards of lighting, ventilation, drainage and freedom from damp, will have adequate heating and cooking facilities and is likely to have a useful life of at least 30 years. Grants are not intended for modern houses, or for older houses in good repair, and are not available where the existing ratable value is above a certain limit.

Intermediate grants, on the other hand, are payable as of right and, provided all the conditions are met, the council cannot refuse them. They are intended to help meet the cost of providing missing basic amenities such as a bath or shower, sink, lavatory and hot and cold water supply. A fixed maximum is laid down for each item, up to a total of £700, but repair and replacement works may also qualify up to an additional limit of £800.

Special grants are similar to intermediate grants but are left to the local authority's discretion. They are for the provision of standard amenities for houses in multiple occupation, where there is no immediate prospect of conversion into separate dwellings.

Finally repairs grants, which are available only within housing action areas and general improvement areas, are confined to applicants whom the council consider could not undertake the work without financial hardship. Their obvious purpose is to ensure that area improvement programmes, frequently in inner city neighbourhoods with many low-income families, do not impose an unfair burden. The eligible expense may not exceed £800.

It is important to note that all the limits specified in this article refer to the eligible expense, that is to say the figure on which the grant is based, and not to the grant itself. The actual amount of the grant will not be more than half the eligible expense, except in general improvement areas where it may be 60 per cent. and housing action areas where the council may pay up to 75 per cent (or 90 per cent in cases of hardship).

Grants are available only to freeholders or to leaseholders with at least five years of their lease to run. Councils can, in some cases, oblige landlords to provide their tenants with basic amenities; alternatively, where tenants refuse to consent to improvements, landlords may apply to the courts for powers to enter and carry out the work.

John Young

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the half-a-million property nsactions each year, ween 70 and 80 per cent olve estate agents.

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The role of the estate agent s changed considerably er the past few years, and now offers useful facilities e assistance in securing rtgages and advice on mming procedures. The major professional lies, the Royal Institution Chartered Surveyors and Incorporated Society of uers and Auctioneers who resent about 18,000 of the ntry's 25,000 estate agents, e also set higher require- ts for membership, and e is a joint indemnity eme operated by them e 1968 which protects the lic against fraud, dis- sty or misappropriation. smaller but highly reput- National Association of te Agents is also intro- ducing similar standards in membership and indemnity.

The vendor is therefore well advised to check whether the estate agents he calls on are members of any of these three bodies and to think carefully of employing the services of any of the 5,000 estate agents who are not. There are, of course, estate agents who remain "unattached" but who have long-established local connexions. But those who meet none of these qualifications are worth investigating before their services are engaged.

The abolition in 1970 by the Monopolies Commission of the Royal Institution's national scale of fees has led to greater competition among estate agents and given the public the opportunity to "shop around" before making a choice.

A recent survey by *Which?* magazine found that though the majority still charge as much for selling a house as they did in 1970 and 18 per cent in fact charge more, some 33 per cent actually charge less.

Mr John Crockett, secretary of the Incorporated Society, told me: "It is quite legitimate for a vendor to shop around. I would say it is absolutely essential for a seller to get the terms right with the agent before they start so there is no argument afterwards."

The *Which?* survey revealed that estate agents' estimates for selling a house can vary widely. They found that in London, for instance, estimates for selling a £13,000 house varied from £196 to £282.50 and in Bristol, from £128.75 to £257.50.

For those who prefer it, there is also a growing number of estate agents who will charge a set fee for selling within a certain house-price range instead of working it out on a percentage basis, which means that the vendor knows exactly how much he will have to pay.

Whichever is preferred, Mr Crockett advises the vendor to get a written contract of agency.

There are other ways in which the vendor can save money. Often an estate agent will knock up to 25 per cent off his fee (which averages about 2 per cent of the house value) if he is granted sole agency of the property. Particularly in the south of England the tendency is for the vendor to approach several agencies, and this can be financially unwise.

In times of depression in the property market when, as now, it remains difficult to dispose of a house, estate agents offer the vendor a better chance of selling than a handwritten note in the front window.

Mr David Blake, an official of the Royal Institution, told me: "The vast majority of people who want to sell their house just don't have the door available to them which we have. The estate agent is now more commercially orientated than he was, and he has to go out to sell. There is more competition."

Mr Crockett added: "With the complexity of planning and financial arrangements these days, the estate agent has developed his role and is better trained, and we do find that clients increasingly need assistance on these matters."

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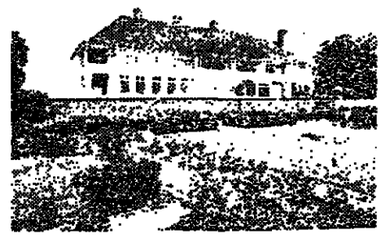
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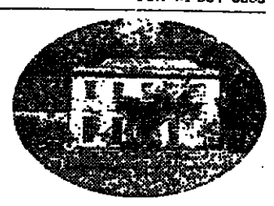
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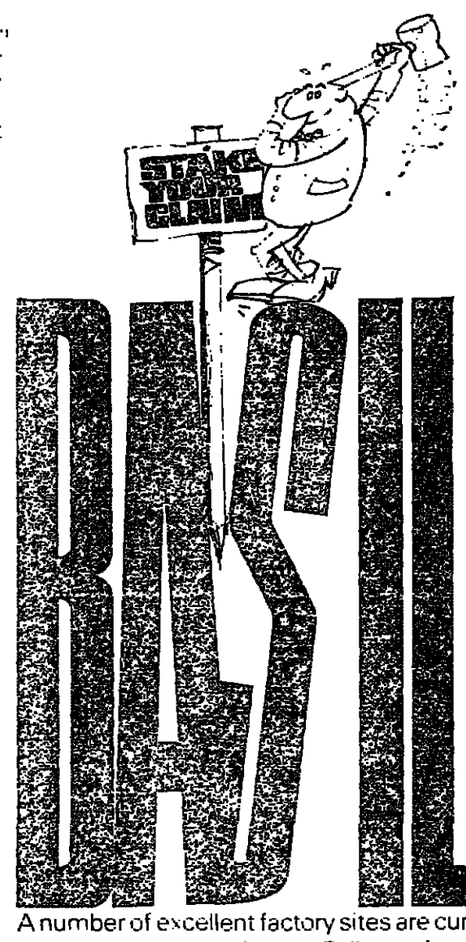
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Industrial property in the doldrums

There are very few certainties at the moment as far as the market in commercial and industrial property is concerned. There is the fact that it is nothing like it was; there is the likelihood that it never will be again.

The first is a function not only of last year's vicious exposure of the fallacy of the belief in property as an inflation hedge, under the pressure of sales forced by the combination of rent restriction and higher interest rates, but also of the fact that expected demand has suddenly fizzled out as commercial and industrial customers cut back hard on their expansion plans in an attempt to conserve cash and anticipate recession.

The second relates to legislation now before Parliament which will, if it is passed, radically change the face of the property industry in general and of the development industry in particular.

The property market is not entirely dead. But despite assiduous fanning by the attendant multitudes of estate agents, property and development companies, the sparks of real life are few, far between and rather feeble. This is not simply a matter of once bitten twice shy. There is also the fact that rents have been falling sharply—those for central London office property are now as much as 30 per cent below their peak—and that, at least as far as institutional buyers are concerned, there have recently been more attractive investments elsewhere. The yields on Central London properties were recently running at up to eight, or even 8½ per cent; but however enormous by comparison with those obtainable a couple of years ago, in a context of double figure inflation that still requires a great deal of reversionary potential to make the investment attractive.

After a long period during which institutional investors would not look at Central London property with an asking price of over £1m. there are some signs that things are now on the move again. In particular there was the recent open tender held by Trafalgar House for Cleveland House, which on outside estimates realized something in the region of £4.5m. In that case the initial yield available to the purchaser—Prudential Assurance—was just over 7 per cent. Though indicating a much higher price than most Central London blocks have recently been able to command, this of itself should not be given too much significance, since Prudential as the freeholder obviously had some interest in paying over the odds to secure the lease. The significance of the affair lay in the number of other tenders and the fact that one of them—from another institutional investor—was pitched not far short of the price which Prudential offered. The implication is that there is once more a market in larger first class Central London office property.

Elsewhere the situation has not been universally bad. In particular the London satellite towns—areas such as Reading, Slough, Farnborough—have enjoyed relatively good markets for office property, thanks in part to the fact that so many companies are moving out of Central London. Moreover the weight of completions and near completions is by no means so heavy outside London, so that the market is much better balanced. Not that this means that rents, and therefore prices, are likely to see much of a rise short-term. In industrial property, certainly, the determining factor is the length and strength of the recession.

In the longer term the determining factor will be what at the moment seems likely to be the complete cessation of development activity. This cannot be put down entirely to the threat of new legislation, to the principle of which the development companies themselves pay lip service. New development projects were in any case being cut back, in part because of uncertainties over the market on completion, and in part because building costs have escalated and are continuing to escalate (at over 25 per cent per annum) at a rate which completely undermines any developer's realistic expectation of gain. Hence the decision of companies such as Hammerson to rethink their company philosophy, with a swing of emphasis from development to investment alone. Of itself, however, that need be only a temporary phase. It is the new legislation which is likely to make it permanent.

For the fact of the matter is that between them the Community Land Bill and the Development Land Tax threaten to remove most of the financial incentives to development; at least such incentives as there will be will be vested in the local authorities who at the moment have neither the staff nor the money to undertake developments on the scale to which the private sector has been accustomed. Sooner or later—whether through the lease of development land back to the private sector, or through the introduction of institutional capital into local authority schemes—the Gordian knot will have to be untied. But meanwhile, not only are there very few developments being started, but there are quite a few being relinquished—for example, the Cardiff Centreplan scheme, the Coldharbour Lane shopping centre in London, and the Tolmer Square development. Given a free market this cessation of development activity should eventually mean higher rents and higher values. But it has been a long time since the United Kingdom property market was in any sense free.

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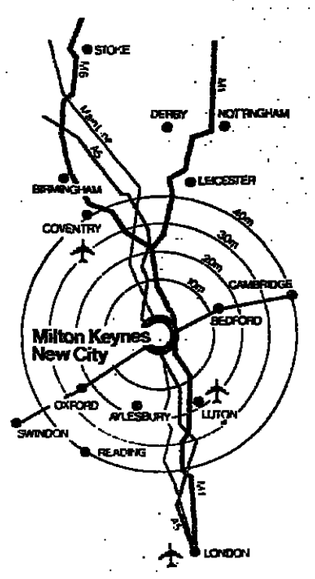
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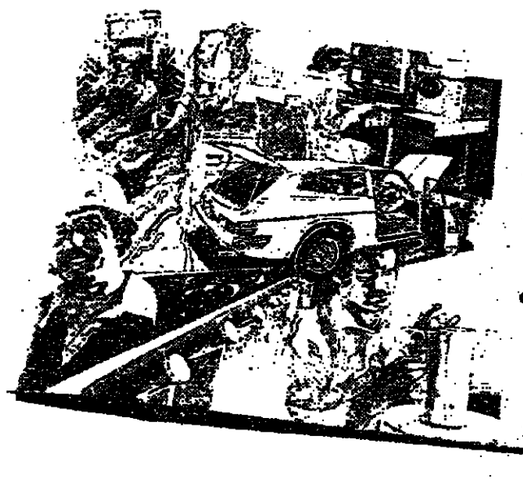
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hancellor at last has acted, least declared what action in process of taking. The immediately recovered of the ground it has lost in days; and the stock et enjoyed what is reputed ve been its best day in years. However, the true icance of the Chancellor's nent cannot be measured hese snap reactions of singly volatile financial ets.

recurring difficulty of sing Mr Healey's economic gy is that he tends to make e right noises and yet to out with all the wrong es, as most recently in the g contrast between the of his budget speech and nonetheless huge budget it which was left over at the f the present financial year. rday's statement was no otion.

e Chancellor appears to adopted the principle of limits for controlling public r expenditure in the cur- year. If this turns out to in practice what Mr ey's words seemed to mean, much the most important ter-inflationary innovation overnment policy in years. also pronounced an ded ceiling for pay settle- ts in the next pay round h, though anything above s objectively unjustified and only contribute to unemploy- , looks stringent by the standards of the recent past and of some expectations. Certainly, if such a ceiling were successfully imposed from the beginning of the next pay round, then unemployment would rise much less rapidly in 1976 than if anything like the present rate of settlements were to continue.

The doubts begin to creep in when the Chancellor starts saying that there will be no cuts in public spending and that he does not expect what he said yesterday to affect the borrowing requirement. It is very doubtful, now that the balance of payments deficit has virtually evaporated, whether the Government can finance anything like the £9,000m budget deficit without either accelerating the growth in the money supply or pushing interest rates, especially long-term interest rates, to a much higher level.

It is also hard to reconcile Mr Healey's remarks about cash spending limits with his remarks about public spending not being cut. Cash limits only have meaning in the present situation if they imply a firm commitment to cut the real amount of Government outlay to the extent that pay and prices rise faster than expected.

If the Chancellor means that he hopes the effect of the cash limits will be chiefly to compress pay and price increases in the public sector while allowing the planned level of services to be maintained, he is quite right. If he means that the cash limits are intended to limit pay and price rises, but that the level of services will be maintained whether or not pay and prices are contained as he hopes, then the whole concept of cash limits will be an empty charade.

Mr Healey has, however, at the very least given himself a much needed breathing space of a week or two in which to get a coherent overall strategy fully worked out. It is important that the House of Commons does not get wholly diverted into the politically enticing area of the Government's pay proposals—and their alleged inconsistency with past utterances by Government and Opposition—to the prejudice of proper scrutiny of the central economic foundations of the Chancellor's strategy, namely the stronger fiscal and monetary policy which is needed and may now be possible.

The pay restraint will be useful to the extent that it is seen as complimentary to the essential fiscal and monetary policies of disinflation. It will on the other hand become a positive menace if it allows anyone to think that reinflation can now or ever by the corollary of pay restraint. The Chancellor's only infallible weapon is his control of the printing presses; and the best that incomes policy can do is to allow him the political freedom to use it.

IE WORST CRISIS OF LEBANON'S HISTORY

government which took e in Beirut yesterday faces uation which must now be idered the most serious in non's history as an independent state, not excluding the ts of 1958. During those its there was a lot of shoot- but surprisingly few people killed, whereas it is now ned that over two hundred le have been killed in the week alone, and probably ng on for a thousand since fighting first broke out in l.

ere are some respects, however, in which the present crisis ss alarming than that of At that time the very existe of Lebanon as an indelent state seemed seriously doubt. The United Arab blic (as it then was) seemed us to absorb it, and many of e taking part in the insurrec- were eager to be absorbed. as essentially an insurrection Muslims who saw the status as a kind of conspiracy to Lebanon Christian-domin- and separate from the rest ne Arab world.

oday, by contrast, no one stions the principle of Lebse independence or the need harmony and balance veen the various confessional munities. The Syrian government, instead of seeking to annex Lebanon, has worked tirelessly to try and hold Lebanon together; and the conflict has so far avoided taking on a purely confessional character, even though it has come perilously close to it. It is true that one of the sides in the conflict, the kataeb or "phalanges", is composed exclusively of Christians (mainly from the Maronite Catholic Church); but that does not stop it from maintaining good relations with conservative Muslim regimes in some other Arab countries, most notably Jordan. And the other side is far from being exclusively Muslim. The most prominent leader of the Lebanese Left, Mr Kamal Joumblatt, is actually a Druze, while several of the leaders of the smaller and more militant left-wing parties are Christians. (So, interestingly enough, is the leader of the "Nasserist" party now closely identified with the fervently Muslim regime in Libya.)

What then is the fighting all about? As so often in such cases, each side believes that it is on the defensive. The phalangists think they are defending themselves and the Lebanese state against a takeover bid from Palestinian guerrillas and various left-wing parties whose ultimate loyalties lie outside Lebanon—the Baath and the Communist Party being the most obvious examples. The left believes it is defending itself and Lebanese democracy against a military and paramilitary coup d'etat whose object is to ensure Christian domination and break Lebanon's solidarity with the Arab and Palestinian cause.

Mr Karami and Mr Chamoun, who led the opposite sides in the 1958 conflict, have now taken on the task of trying to convince both sides in the present conflict that their fears are unjustified and that the only real threat to Lebanon lies in the continuation of the present violence. Their personal reconciliation, and their decision to swap spheres of influence (with Mr Karami taking control of the traditionally Christian armed forces and Mr Chamoun taking the traditionally Muslim Ministry of the Interior), constitutes an imaginative start. But it remains to be seen whether their generation of Lebanese politicians can in fact control the young militants of today; and it remains doubtful whether the crisis can be solved without a more active political intervention by the pan-Arab leadership (which means Egypt and perhaps Saudi Arabia as well as Syria).

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The trust came into being as a development of Octavia Hill's valiant campaigns to save some open ground in London from the property speculators. The preoccupations of its inaugural meeting in 1895—a Welsh headland, ancient and medieval remains, Carlyle's house in Chelsea and the need to lobby the Government promptly about tax concessions—suggest how much it has stayed the same, in catholicity and practicality. But as it has grown, so have the threats to all that it seeks to protect.

The threats are of many kinds. The enthusiasm it has fostered is itself one, in a way: some of its Lakeland footpaths have been eroded to a depth of six feet under the battering of stout boots, and some lonely peaks can become as crowded as St James's Park in a summer lunch-hour. The trust devotes much thought and experiment to reconciling its duty to preserve and its duty to provide recreation. Then there is the threat of competing claims on the wilderness, exemplified by the battle last year over the inalienable land at Drumbuie.

There is also the threat of being expected to do too much. Great as the trust's possessions are, they only amount to a small part of the natural and architectural heritage worth preserving. They neither can nor should be more. Already the trust is very cautious about taking on new obligations, and insists that acquisitions should come with endowments large enough to support them. Where there is agricultural land, the need to farm it efficiently by modern standards can conflict with the aim of preserving its character. It was no superfluous excursion into politics that made the trust in its last report speak anxiously about capital transfer tax and wealth tax: if those taxes cause a major dispersal of the heritage still in private hands, the National Trust will be in no position to pick up the pieces.

arlaston Hall

om Mrs Helen Pease

As the only Wedgwood now ve who has ever lived in Barlas- Hall, I feel a certain sentimental erest in the place. My father ted it in 1905; but only for 18 nths, as the expenses of upkeep d repairs were prohibitive. I do ongly deplore the tone of your ding article in *The Times* (June Josiah Wedgwood became the ather of the British Potting Instry" and created a world-wide de because he made and sold w, beautiful and useful things, luding new houses for his work ple; and his descendants have ne the same. The patching up d costly maintenance of old and eless things, however "interest- ;" or beautiful some might think m, was not and never should be Wedgwood's" function.

When my late brother, the 5th and his cousin (backed by Friends Provident Society) ed the Works from extinction by ing to Barlaston in the 1930's y were unable to buy the estate out the half derelict Hall as . The whole of their slender ources for years, including most the dividend on the ordinary shares, was spent on building the newest and most efficient factory with the best possible conditions for the workers.

"Wedgwood's" do not run into debt and then go whining to the government for help as a valuable export trade; and why should they ask their admirable staff to work to provide money for the repair and very costly yearly upkeep of a building they do not want and no one will take as a gift.

HELEN PEASE (nee Wedgwood),
1 High St,
Girton,
Cambridge.
June 26.

Trade descriptions

From Dr J. L. Gorman

Sir, Professor Sir Alfred Ayer argued (letter, June 20) that a prediction can have a truth-value; thus the airline company which denied the seat to the customer whose booking it had confirmed could reasonably be said to have made a false statement in confirming the reservation.

One would have thought that only a philosopher could have denied such a thing: it is most odd to find the Court of Appeal concerning itself with doubtful metaphysics.

But commonsense often runs foul of the law. Simply to point this out as Professor Ayer has done is not enough. A more significant matter is that the decision vitiates virtually all trade descriptions. If I describe a second-hand car as doing 30 miles to the gallon then I am making a prediction as to what it will do; obviously while the customer is inspecting the vehicle it is not using any petrol at all, since it is standing still: if he finds, after purchase, that it will only do 10 miles to the gallon then one would naturally hope that I would be liable under the Trades Descriptions Act. But after this decision we find that, in law, predictions cannot be true or false; thus I cannot have made a false trade description. Most advertising is concerned with what some product will do; we now find that, in law, the advertiser *cannot* lie!

Yours faithfully,
J. L. GORMAN,
Department of Philosophy,
University of Birmingham.
June 20.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The press and constitutional duties of Attorney General

From Mr John Stonehouse, Labour and Co-operative MP for Walsall, North

Sir, I have just seen the letters from Sir Peter Rawlinson and Mr Hugh Fraser concerning the constitutional functions of the Attorney General, Sir Peter writes (in *The Times* of June 17) that "No Prime Minister, no Cabinet, no Government, can interfere with the Attorney General's constitutional duties in the prosecution of offenders or the enforcement of the law concerning public interest". Mr Fraser disputes this view (your issue June 18).

From my personal experience both as a Minister and also since 1970 I can confirm that Sir Peter is wrong and Mr Fraser is indubitably right. Indeed when I am allowed to make a statement in the House of Commons I shall quote a specific example of political interference with the processes of law.

Sir Peter also writes that the Attorney General is "the principal adviser to the Crown on points of law". It might be of interest to note that I have just received an acknowledgment from Buckingham Palace of my recent petition which concerned points of law and the need for the constitutional independence of members of Parliament to be preserved. The Palace advises me that my petition has been referred, not to the Attorney General as Sir Peter implies, but to the Lord President of the Council. I suppose (in view of the Lord President's personal commitments in my case) that is a definition of Short shrift.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN STONEHOUSE,
As from House of Commons,
June 26.

From Mr David Watt

Sir, I heartily agree with most of what you say about the Attorney General and the possible effects of his injunction on the ability of anyone outside government to discuss British politics intelligently. All the same, I doubt whether he could have got his claws on the article of mine in last Friday's *Financial Times* to which you kindly refer in your leader.

The point is that a political journalist does not need to be told exactly what is happening in the Cabinet in order to have an excellent idea of what is happening in the Cabinet. In my experience ministers very rarely offer one a blow-by-blow account of Cabinet discussions and outside the Public Record Office I do not think I have ever seen a secret Cabinet minute or paper. But that hardly matters.

All the reporter has to do is to go to each of the main ministerial protagonists in any dispute (or his close friends) and inquire what his personal view is on the matter in question. If the journalist's contacts are good and he watches our for dud steers it is not very difficult for him to reconstruct the general lines of the argument in Cabinet with great accuracy.

How is the Attorney to prevent this subversive activity? He cannot invoke the law to prevent ministers expressing their own views to whomever they see fit on matters of current public concern. Certain Prime Ministers have admittedly done their best to muzzle ministers during the formulation of policy. Asquith tried with Churchill; Wilson is trying with Benn and others. But the sanction is only as strong as their willingness to sack the minister who persists, which is to say not strong at all, and there is neither common nor statute law to buttress it.

This gaping hole in the Attorney's net does not in the least invalidate your objection to his trying to enmesh us at all. There are all kinds of really valuable journalistic acrivity, particularly in the "instant history" field, which do require detailed knowledge of how decisions were actually taken. But I fail to see how the government could maintain a ban on the reporting of "discussions between Ministers . . . concerning the development and formulation of policies and their execution" in the face of a bland and probably quite truthful claim by the journalist to have pieced his account together from sources over which the government can have no legal control.

Yours truly,
DAVID WATT,
18 Groveway, SW9,
June 30.

From Mr W. H. Blatch

Sir, I did not read your criticism of Mr Sam Silkin, nor indeed do I think it necessary to refer to his remarks on that article.

The mere fact that he deems it necessary to attack the detail of it shows that he has missed the point of principle which is that there is no confidence in his judgment to distinguish between political expediency and legal integrity.

It should be obvious to him that those who believe implicitly in upholding an independent judiciary do not accept that he is the right person to represent that cherished tradition. He should have the courage to resign.

Yours faithfully,
W. H. BLATCH,
Woodlands,
Symington,
Biggar,
Lanarkshire.
June 30.

Cabinet government

From Mr J. M. Ross

Sir, The freedom of the press is a very good thing, but so also is Cabinet government. If ministers in future go in constant fear that reports of Cabinet discussions will be published in a few years' time, they will be less ready to refer matters to the Cabinet but will take their own decisions for reasons known only to themselves or to a few colleagues. The Cabinet is a sensitive plant which will wither away if exposed to the scorching heat of publicity.

Yours faithfully,
J. M. ROSS,
64 Wildwood Road, NW11.
June 29.

Contents of a newspaper

From Mr Richard J. Winfrey

Sir, Even as you are resolutely defending the freedom of the press from the "blacking" of information in your columns by the Cabinet Office, the battle is being lost on another front.

In support of a dispute with the Sharman Group of provincial papers, the National Graphical Association has seen fit to instruct its members in the rest of the United Kingdom not to handle the "copy" of advertisers who use the Sharman newspapers. As the NGA has a virtual monopoly of the typesetting function in British newspapers, this effectively amounts to a complete censorship of these advertisers' announcements in the press.

Mr Boufield is on record as saying that he has no wish to interfere with the contents of any newspaper—a statement of colossal hypocrisy in the light of the present action of his union. Advertising matter is no less a part of a newspaper than editorial, and there is no difference in principle between the two ingredients.

It may surprise your readers, as it initially did me, that the law affords no protection by way of injunction to third parties in these circumstances. However, S13 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act 1974—which repealed the Conservative Industrial Relations Act—confers a virtually blanket indemnity in tort to persons taking part in actions of this kind.

Short of dismissing the personnel concerned—and thereby bringing to a halt his whole enterprise—a publisher has no remedy against this kind of blackmail, and it seems doubtful if any of the "blacked" advertisers have, either. It is not difficult to see the ultimate consequence of this state of affairs—Republica—here we come.

Yours sincerely,
RICHARD J. WINFREY,
Managing Director,
East Midland Allied Press Limited,
Oundle Road,
Woodston, Peterborough.
June 30.

A solicitor's loyalty

From Mr Malcolm Phillips

Sir, In the course of an otherwise admirable leader (June 28), you allege: "Solicitors will sue anyone, except a fellow solicitor."

No, Sir! I am a mere articled clerk with a small two-partner practice which is currently suing two other firms for alleged negligence during conveyancing transactions.

A solicitor's loyalty to his client bears no impediment save established professional ethical standards and the law itself.

Yours faithfully,
MALCOLM PHILLIPS,
56 Sanderstead Court Avenue,
Sanderstead,
Surrey,
June 28.

From Mr Alfred Goldman

Sir, Your leader "The Secrecy of Government" ended with the words "Thank God for Lord Denning", a sentiment which many lawyers, particularly, I believe, solicitors, applaud.

You added nothing to your argument, however, by saying "Solicitors will sue anyone, except a fellow solicitor". Unpleasant medicine it may be, but the majority of solicitors unhesitatingly swallow it for it is in the public interest that we do.

Lord Denning is the custodian of, indeed the Master of the Rolls under which we are entitled to practise; he, I am sure, knows the truth even if you do not, Thank God.

Yours truly,
ALFRED GOLDMAN,
11-13 Southampton Row, WC1.
June 30.

Doctors' obligations

From Dr J. Leahy Taylor

Sir, "Doctors, because they are conscious of professional obligations, engage in white perjury in coroners' courts rather than face the facts of negligence."

This quotation from your leader of Saturday, June 28, will doubtless appear as a profound observation to those readers who fail to appreciate that negligence is not an issue in coroners' courts.

Yours faithfully,
J. LEAHY TAYLOR,
Secretary,
The Medical Protection Society Limited,
50 Hallam Street, W1.
June 30.

Land purchase orders

From Mr Peter Boydell, QC

Sir, In your first leading article today (June 19) you say: "There is much common ground between the parties over land." In the same spirit Mr Maurice Ash, the Chairman of Executive of the Town and Country Planning Association (letter June 14) argued cogently for a reform of the law which, among other objectives, would create "that stability which men of property rightly insist is vital in their business".

This is no doubt a powerful plea; but a period of stability in the law of the land is surely of equal value to central government, to local government and, most importantly, to the community in general. The frequent changes in this branch of the law during the past 25 years have prevented the achievement not only of this state of stability but also therefore of any solution of the problems which the current Bill is designed to solve. Surely it is not beyond the capacities of the main political parties to reach agreement on a measure which would solve these problems.

Mr Ash has suggested one possible amendment to the Bill which might help to achieve agreement, namely, that compulsory land acquisition should be required "to be justified against a development plan, duly made; or to be justified at public inquiry where no such plan exists". May I suggest another possible amendment as a further step on the road towards agreement?

By Schedule 4, paragraph 3, of the Bill the confirming authority (the Secretary of State for the Environment), when considering whether to confirm a compulsory purchase order "may disregard" any objection "made on the ground that the acquisition is unnecessary or inexpedient". This is a curious provision. Indeed on first reading this provision it seemed possible that by a printing error the word "not" had been omitted in the phrase "may disregard".

But it is understood that the omission was intended and that the provision is sought to be justified by the existence of a similar provision in the New Towns Act, 1965. This latter provision, however, deals with the quite different situation where the land sought to be compulsorily acquired has already been designated, after public inquiry, as suitable for development for the new town. In the circumstances with which the Community Land Bill is concerned there will have been no such earlier designation or public inquiry.

Surely, therefore, if the basic philosophy of the Bill, namely that land should be developed in the interest of the community and not only in the interest of a particular section of the community, is sound (and this letter is in no way concerned to argue otherwise) what can be the purpose in empowering the confirming authority to disregard such relevant questions as whether, in the interest of the community, the compulsory acquisition is necessary and expedient?

As presently drafted the Bill would empower the acquiring authority to make and the confirming authority to confirm a compulsory purchase order which is neither necessary nor expedient in the interest of the community. Such a provision is surely illogical and contrary to the basic philosophy of the Bill.

Is it too much to hope that this curious provision might be amended before the Bill completes its passage through both Houses? Many who are supporters of the Bill and many others of us who are not politically concerned to oppose the Bill would welcome such a change.

Yours faithfully,
PETER BOYDELL,
2 Harcourt Buildings,
Temple, EC4.

Things past

From Major George W. Moore

Sir, On June 27, according to your (no doubt accurate) report of proceedings in the House of Lords, in answer to a question by Lord Wigg "Did Mr Kaufman brief Mr Howard or not"?

Lord Shepherd (Lord Privy Seal) replied "Mr Kaufman informs me that he has no recollection of having a conversation with Mr Howard, but it was six or seven years ago".

Lord Wigg then asked a further question, to which Lord Shepherd replied, and said "we have Mr Kaufman's assurance that this information was not conveyed to the journalist".

So, in a few seconds, a lack of any recollection of what happened six or seven years ago, becomes transformed into a definite assurance that it did not happen.

May one ask the Lord Privy Seal to explain?

Your obedient servant,
GEORGE W. MOORE.
Farnham House.
Broadway,
Worcestershire.

Lord Moyne's assassins

From Mr F. M. Landau

Sir, You have published many letters on the assassination of Lord Moyne in Cairo on November 6, 1944. On November 7, 1944, Dr Chaim Weizmann, one of the architects of the State of Israel and its first President, wrote the following letter to Mr Winston Churchill, then Prime Minister:

"I can hardly find words adequate to express the deep moral indignation and horror which I feel at the murder of Lord Moyne. I know that these feelings are shared by Jewry throughout the world.

"Whether or not the criminal prove to be Palestinian Jews, their act illumines the abyss to which terrorism leads. Political crimes of this kind are an especial abomination in that they make it possible to implicate whole communities in the guilt of a few. I can assure you that Palestine Jewry will, as its representative bodies have declared, go to the utmost limit of its power to cut out, root and branch, this evil from its midst." (From Dr Weizmann's autobiography, *Trial and Error*, p 537.)

Yours, &c.,
F. M. LANDAU.
2 Mitre Court Buildings,
Temple, EC4.

From Mr George Clare

Sir, Gavrilo Princip assassinated Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria in 1914. He also murdered the Archduke's wife, a lady who had nothing whatsoever to do with politics. Princip is one of Yugoslavia's national heroes. In Sarayevo, where the young student fired these fatal shots, they have a "Princip" Bridge.

The national hero of the world's most pacific country is William Tell. To this day the Swiss honour his memory as the assassin of one Gessler, the local governor at the time.

Everywhere in the world, streets and squares and monuments commemorate political assassins. This is as regrettable as is, perhaps, the fact that Israelis are just like other people.

Yours faithfully,
GEORGE CLARE.
Flat 15,
75 Hornsey Lane, N6.

The address of Mr J. Geoffrey Aspin is 1 Hillcrest Drive, Little Sutton, Cheshire, not as given below the letter which was published on June 27.

The Chancellor's statement

From Mr Brian Sedgemore, Labour MP for Luton, West, and others

Sir, Today in Parliament (July 1) the Chancellor announced that there would be a statutory incomes policy by consent, and made it clear that so far as this Government is concerned, words no longer have any meaning. The style of government is as objectionable as the content.

The content of the Chancellor's statement was objectionable not merely because it embodied a statutory wages policy but because it left untouched the problems of investment, trade, and employment, all of which affect the rate of inflation both in the short and the long run. Particularly serious will be the effect of the measures which he announced on employment, for unless they are accompanied by reflation, a postponement of existing public expenditure cuts, and protection (eg selective import controls and government help for industry) they will lead to further widespread unemployment.

Yours faithfully,
BRIAN SEDGEMORE,
AUDREY WISE,
MAX MADDEN,
ERIC HEFFER,
RON THOMAS,
DENNIS SKINNER,
JOE ASHTON,
MARTIN FLANNERY,
EDDIE LOYDEN,
NORMAN ATKINSON.
House of Commons.

The CIA and Nasser

From Mr Miles Copeland

Sir, Upon returning to London this morning, (June 24) I was confronted with an article written by Mr Fred Emery on June 18 wherein he asserted that I claimed to have "frequently but not seriously" discussed with Lord Avon the possibility of having President Nasser of Egypt assassinated.

I told Mr Emery no such thing. In fact, within the hearing of New York business associates who listened to my end of the conversation with great interest, I said that I had met Lord Avon but once, and "that was only to shake hands". I repeated this to Mr Emery when he called later to check this detail of the story—after he had cabled it to London. To do Mr Emery justice, he seems to have tried to stop the inclusion of this item in his story, but his second conversation with me was too late.

I did not tell any investigator of the Senate investigating committee about "Lord Avon's keen interest" in the assassination of President Nasser, nor did I use the expression "keen interest" in any other context.

I did not say, "You can't live in Togoland and not get involved in cannibalism." Nor did I say, "Anthony Eden wanted me to shoot Nasser." All of the direct quotes attributed to me are grossly inaccurate, not only as to content but as to choice of words. Mr Emery has no doubt made an honest attempt to re-create my somewhat slangy style of speech, but in doing so he has made me out to be more imprecise and indiscreet than I ever am even under the most unguarded circumstances.

What I did say was this: "In those days" (referring to late 1955) "Sir Anthony was so angry with Nasser that some of us thought we would have to restrain him physically to keep him from going down to Cairo to shoot him." I said this, however, in a tone of voice and choice of words which should have made it clear to Mr Emery, as it did to my witnesses, that I was speaking facetiously. I realize now that it was a poor joke, and I have apologized to Lord Avon for having made it. In my defence, however, I point out that the conversation was between colleagues (I do, after all, occasionally write for *The Times* and I do not need to lean on Mr Emery's literary capabilities when I feel the urge to speak indiscreetly), and that the remark about Lord Avon's feelings towards Nasser was a hyperbole uniquely apposite to the point I was making—and which, unhappily, Mr Emery seems to have missed.

It appears that anyone who attempts to justify any of the CIA's activities these days is fair game—to be misquoted, quoted out of context so as to be made to appear foolish, or otherwise discredited.

Yours etc.,
MILES COPELAND,
Fewcott House, Fewcott,
near Bicester,
Oxfordshire.

Disraeli's leaders

From Mrs Helen J. Miller

Sir, It seems churlish to correct Mr Philip Howard when he writes so persuasively and delightfully about Disraeli's leaders for *The Times* (Saturday, June 14) where he states that "it is surprising to find the brilliant young Tory eagle writing leaders for a paper that was generally Whiggish at that time".

The Times in 1836 during Barnes's editorship pursued a policy of supporting Peel against the Whigs, and it was in fact only Barnes's tact which prevented Disraeli's contempt for the Litchfield House compact from finding its expression in print in the vilifications against O'Connel, which were returned by Barnes to Disraeli with some admonitions.

Yours faithfully,
HELEN MILES,
Tap Stone House,
Hud Hey,
Haslingden,
Rossendale,
Lancashire.

Air lingo

From Miss Pamela Young

Sir, I was amused by Mr Halder's letter (June 27), and reminded of myself in Paris, waiting for a lift which was "momentanement" out of order. I finally decided to take the stairs—just as well, since in this case what I had translated as "momentarily" turned out to mean "for three months"!

Yours faithfully,
PAMELA YOUNG,
Flat 2, 97 Camberwell Grove, SE5.

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
July 1: Sir Abdool Raman Mahomed Osman (Governor-General of Mauritius) had an audience of The Queen this morning.

His Excellency Signor Raimondo Manzini was received in farewell audience by Her Majesty and took leave upon relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from Italy to the Court of St James's.

The Queen received Major-General J. A. d'Avigdor-Goldsmid, Honorary Colonel, and a representative party from The Queen's Own Mercian Yeomanry and accepted the gift of a Regimental Brooch.

Mr Thomas J. Barnham had the honour of being received by Her Majesty and took leave upon his retirement from service in the Royal Household as Chief Clerk, Master of the Household's Department and Serjeant-at-Arms to The Queen.

The Right Hon Harold Wilson, MP (Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury), had an audience of Her Majesty this evening.

The Queen, attended by the Lady Susan Hussey, Major Sir Rennie Maudslay, Mr Philip Moore and Captain Peter Fletcher, left London in the Royal Train to visit the Duchy of Lancaster Estate in Yorkshire.

The Duke of Edinburgh was received upon arrival at Norwich Railway Station this morning by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for the County of Norfolk (Sir Edmund Bacon, Bt) and the Lord Mayor of Norwich (Councillor Mrs Joyce Morgan).

His Royal Highness, as President of the United Kingdom Council for European Architectural Heritage Year, visited Schemes in Norwich, King's Lynn and Sleaford.

The Duke of Edinburgh subsequently re-joined the Royal Train at Sleaford.

Major Henry Hugh Smith was in attendance.

The Prince of Wales visited the Royal Agricultural Society of England's Royal Show at Stoneleigh, Warwickshire, today.

His Royal Highness travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was received upon arrival at Baginton Airport, Coventry, by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Warwickshire (Mr C. M. T. Smith-Ryland), drove to the Royal Showground and was received by the Honorary Show Director (Sir Dudley Forwood).

The Lady Susan Hussey has succeeded the Hon Mary Morrison as Lady in Waiting to The Queen.

CLARENCE HOUSE
July 1: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother was present this afternoon at a Garden Party given by the National Trust at Montacute, Somerset, to mark the Trust's 80th Anniversary.

Her Majesty travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

The Dowager Viscountess Hambleden and Captain Alastair Aird were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
July 1: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, this morning opened the Market Drayton Cricket and Hockey Club.

Her Royal Highness later visited the Reginald Mitchell Spitfire Museum and opened Unity House, Hanley, and was entertained at luncheon at the Town Hall by the Lord Mayor of Stoke-on-Trent.

In the afternoon, The Princess Margaret, as Chancellor of the University of Keele, presided at a Congregation for the Conferment of Degrees at King's Hall, Stoke-on-Trent, and later attended a Reception given at Federation House by the Pottery and Glass Trades Benevolent Institution, of which Her Royal Highness is Patron.

Her Royal Highness this evening undertook engagements at the University of Keele.

The Princess Margaret, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by The Lady Anne Tennant and Major The Lord Napier and Ettrick.

The King of Norway is 72 today.

Major and Mrs Peter Beckwith-Smith have left Lingfield. Their address from July 1 will be 13 Ranelagh House, Elystan Place, SW3, telephone 01-584 6881, and Byeway Cottage, Aldwick Bay, Bognor Regis (Pagham 2285).

Birthdays today

Professor Max Beloff, 62; Mr Denys Eyre Bower, 70; Mr Basil de Ferranti, 45; Major-General Sir Colin Gubbins, 79; Sir Guy Harrison, 90; Lord Home of the Hirsel, 72; Lieutenant-General Sir Denis O'Connor, 68; Sir Karl Parker, 80; Sir Harold Parkinson, 81; Sir Robert Renner, 67; General Sir John Westall, 74; Sir Alan Wilson, 69.

Forthcoming marriages

Dr N. R. Avery and Miss E. A. Peters
The engagement is announced between Nicholas Robert, son of Mr and Mrs E. C. H. Avery, of Sans Souci, Sandy Road, Willington, near Bedford, and Elizabeth Anne, daughter of Mr and Mrs F. J. Peters, of Rookery Nook, First Avenue, Newhaven, Sussex.

Mr R. J. Cousins and Miss D. F. Harding
The engagement is announced between Richard, middle son of Mrs D. Remnant, of The Little White House, Isle of Wight, and the late B. D. Cousins, of Haslemere, Surrey, and Diana, younger daughter of Wing-Commander and Mrs L. J. Harding, of Broomhill, Blackheath, Surrey.

The Rev D. B. Evans and Miss C. A. Caulfeild
The engagement is announced between David Burton, elder son of the late Thomas Evans and Mrs Mabel Evans, of Shrewsbury, and Charlotte Antonia, daughter of Mr and Mrs Toby Caulfeild, of Hookland, Redford, Midhurst, Sussex.

Mr D. J. Houston and Miss S. K. Franklin
The engagement is announced between David, only son of Col R. L. Houston, of Ottawa, and Mrs P. J. S. Ollivant, and stepson of Mr P. J. S. Ollivant, Paynes Hay Farm, Braishfield, Hampshire, and Sarah, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs A. H. B. Franklin, The White House, Landermere, Thorpe-le-Soken, Essex.

Mr R. V. Jackson and Miss C. F. Harvey
The engagement is announced between Robert, son of Mrs E. B. Alcock, of Truro, Cornwall, and Caroline, daughter of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Harvey, of Penzance, Cornwall.

Mr C. D. F. Oldham and Mrs S. H. Goddard
The engagement is announced between Christopher David Fitzjohn Oldham, son of Commander and Mrs F. W. F. Oldham, of Providence, Copthorne Common, near Crawley, Sussex, and Susan Hilary, daughter of Mr and Mrs H. A. N. F. Finch, of 10 Broadwater Down, Tunbridge Wells, Kent. The marriage will take place quietly at the end of August.

Mr M. Thomas and Miss S. Parsons
The engagement is announced between Michael, younger son of Mr and Mrs Derek H. Thomas, of Burwood Park, Walton-on-Thames, and Sally, only daughter of Mr and Mrs William N. Parsons, of East Horsley, Surrey.

Mr J. D. Turnage and Miss J. A. Wallrock
The engagement is announced between Jeremy Douglas, elder son of Mr and Mrs D. P. Turnage, of Strawberry Hill, Middlesex, and Joanna Alexandra, younger daughter of Commander and Mrs M. Wallrock, of Wick Farm House, Southbourne, Hampshire.

Mr B. Usher and Miss J. Sammet
The engagement is announced between Bev, only son of Mr and Mrs J. Usher, of Johannesburg, South Africa, and Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs W. E. Sammet, of St Ives, Cornwall.

Mr A. A. Vlasto and Miss C. I. Badenoch
The engagement is announced between Anthony Alexander, younger son of Dr and Mrs Philip Vlasto, of Wyke End, Belle Vue Road, Weymouth, Dorset, and Catherine Isolde, younger daughter of Dr and Mrs John Badenoch, of 123 Woodstock Road, Oxford.



This Degas pastel over monotype was sold for £94,500 at Christie's yesterday in a sale of Impressionist, modern and contemporary art.

Painting shows Arab impact

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent

Richard Green paid £7,800 for a painting by Heywood Hardy and John Varley entitled "Falconers" at Sotheby's Belgravia yesterday. The presale estimate was a mere £1,000-£2,000. The price appears to have little to do with the artists, although it is nicely painted, and everything to do with the subject matter. For they are Arab falconers placed below a richly ornate Islamic arch. The price reaffirms the impact of Middle East wealth on nineteenth century Oriental paintings by European artists.

The occasion was Belgravia's main summer picture sale which struck a note of cautious optimism. Prices generally ran above expectations, although there were a few failures. Richard Dadd's "Come unto these yellow sands" was unsold at £9,000 (estimate £10,000-£20,000) and a small version of Henry Wallis's "Stonebreaker" sold for £1,200 to Benny Gray against an estimate of £5,000-£10,000. That was a rather special case. Wallis's painting of that name that hangs in Birmingham is one of the famous images of the Victorian era; Sotheby's believed their painting to be a later version painted by Wallis for a friend, but there is no proof of that. Some people obviously did not believe it.

There were, however, outstanding prices for two Burne Jones portraits, both head and shoulders in soft pastel shades. A portrait of Cecily Horner of around 1895 made £5,000 (estimate £1,500-£3,000) and a portrait of Frances Horner of 1879 made £2,800 (estimate £600-£1,200). There was also a pencil head of Frances Horner of 1875, catching the twist of her curls with particular delicacy, at £450 (estimate £150-£300).

Prices for Pre-Raphaelite followers were mixed. "The Idlers" by John Edward Newton, a rare Liverpool artist, made £1,900 (estimate £1,500-£3,000); it is a farmyard scene painted with the hyper-realism of the early Pre-Raphaelite period. "Wondertime", a detailed drawing of a girl and a clematis by Sandys, made £2,100 (estimate £1,200-£2,400). Evelyn de Morgan's "Hope in the Prison of Despair" goes to America at £1,700 (estimate £1,200-£2,400) while Jeremy Maas paid £1,700 (estimate £1,500-£3,000) for Spencer Stanhope's "Flight into Egypt".

A fine work by Alma Tadema "Catullus at Lesbia's" made £2,400 (estimate £1,500-£3,000), a little below the price paid for the same painting at Belgravia two years ago. More unusual was the fact that his wife, Lady Laura, was represented by a really fine work, a romantic mother and child piece entitled "The First Born"; it made £1,200 (estimate £1,000-£2,000). The following lot was to my mind a real bargain and bought by Hartnoll, a real Aesthetic movement picture entitled "The Test" by Thomas Armstrong priced at £300 (estimate £500-£1,000).

The sale was, as usual, well supplied with decorative landscapes by F. W. Watts, Leader, Grimshaw et al. That was the area of the Victorian market that suffered most last year and it was notable that a large proportion of those on offer found buyers yesterday. Watts's "On the Stour" went to Richard Green at £3,600 (estimate £2,000-£4,000) while Grimshaw's "Figures in a Moonlit Lane" made £3,800 (estimate £1,500-£3,000).

In Bond St, Sotheby's were selling English pottery and porcelain with buoyant prices and some surprises. A rare early Chelsea acanthus leaf cream jug made £2,300 (estimate £800-£1,200) to Firminger while Winifred Williams paid £2,000 (estimate £600-£800) for a saltglaze figure of a piper of around 1740.

Today's engagements

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh visit the Duchy of Lancaster estate in Yorkshire, 10. The Lord Provost surrenders the keys of the City of Edinburgh to The Queen, 5.15. The Duke as an Honorary Member, attends the two hundredth session dinner of the Speculative Society in the Signet Library, Parliament Square, Edinburgh, 7.45.

The Prince of Wales, as president, attends the silver jubilee dinner of The Lord's Taverners at Quaglino's, Bury Street, 7.45.

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, Chancellor of London University, attends a dinner given by the Chairman of the Court at the Senate House, 7.15.

Princess Margaret undertakes engagements in Tamworth, 11.

Exhibition: German occupation of The Channel Islands, to commemorate the thirtieth anniversary of the liberation, Imperial War Museum, 10-5.30.

Day Lecture: Victorian Classical Painting, Moore, Sandys, Watts, by Lionel Lambourne, Lecture Theatre, Victoria and Albert Museum, 1.15.

Summer organ recital by David Bevan, Westminster Cathedral, 8.

Royal Show, National Agricultural Centre, Kenilworth, Warwickshire, 8-10.

Latest wills

Bequest of letters to the Queen

Mr Thomas Robert Charles Goff, of Chelsea, maker of clavichords and harpsichords, left £115,604 net (no duty shown). He left letters of King William IV to the Queen "if she will graciously accept them".

Miss Hertha Baschwitz, of Finsbury, London, left £31,953 net (duty paid, £205). She left £7,000 to the JNF Charitable Trust; £4,000 to the Friends of Magen David Adom, and £2,000 each to Dr Barnardo's and the Jewish Blind Society.

Other estates include (net before duty paid; duty on some estates not disclosed):

Bradshaw, Mrs Doreen Marjory, of Kensington £134,767
Mitchell, Mrs Ethel Mary, of Penrhyn Bay, Gwynedd £100,816

25 years ago

From The Times of Saturday, July 1, 1950

Coal costs

The National Coal Board has been far less in the public eye during the last twelve months, and much less criticized than it was in its first two years. Industry can now get enough coal, though the coal it gets is not good enough. The rise in costs from 36s a ton to 46s a ton which occurred in the first two years has been stopped, and there has been some reduction . . . Yet the Coal Board has still to dispel by its achievements, the criticism, once heard so much, that it is over-centralized, cumbersome, and discouraging to individual initiative and responsibility.

The Board's report for 1949, which was published yesterday, confirms the impression that improvements are being brought about in the industry very slowly.

Christening

The infant son of the Hon Alastair and Mrs Hover Millar was christened Mark Christian Frederick, on Monday by Father James Forbes, OSB, at the Guards Chapel, Wellington Barracks. The godparents are: The Hon John Yarde-Buller, Viscount Sudley, Mr David Maller, Lady Maria Pridden, the Hon Harriet Berry and the Hon Teresa Pearson.

Cutlers' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Cutlers' Company for the ensuing year: Master, Canon D. Webster; Senior Warden, Mr N. W. Iorns; and Junior Warden, Mr G. H. McKay. Mr K. S. G. Hinde has been appointed clerk in succession to the late Mr Gordon Hume Mitchell.

City of London

Mr Alderman Kenneth Russell Cork and Mr Ronald Arthur Ralph Hedderwick have been elected Sheriffs of the City of London for 1975-76. They will take office on September 26.

Luncheons

HM Government
Mr James Callaghan, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, and Mrs Callaghan were hosts yesterday at a luncheon at Lancaster House in honour of the Italian Ambassador, Signor Raimondo Manzini. Among those present were:
Lord Feather, Mr Denis Healey, MP, and Mrs Healey, Mr Reginald Maudling, MP, and Mrs Maudling, Sir Robert and Lady Belloyer, Sir Patrick Hancock, Air Marshal Sir Peter and Lady Wykeham, Sir Oliver and Lady Wright, Signor and Signora Romo Paolini, Dr R. Bennett, MP, and Mrs Bennett, Mr J. Fine, MP, Mr K. Marks, MP, Mr Louis Heren, Mr and Mrs Russell Taylor, Dr and Mrs S. Paternostro, Mr and Mrs R. T. Armstrong, Mr and Mrs H. T. Morgan and Mr S. J. Barrett.

Aims for Freedom and Enterprise
The Council of Aims for Freedom and Enterprise held their first Free Enterprise Day annual luncheon at the Europa Hotel, London, yesterday to celebrate Free Enterprise Day. Sir John Reiss, chairman of the council, presided. Mrs Margaret Thatcher, MP, was the principal guest and presented the Free Enterprise Award to Sir Keith Joseph, MP.

Franco-British Parliamentary Relations Committee
Mr John Cronin, MP, Chairman of the Franco-British Parliamentary Relations Committee, and Mrs Cronin were hosts at a luncheon given yesterday by the committee in honour of M Edgar Faure, President of the French National Assembly, and Mme Faure, at the Inn on the Park. Others present included:
The French Ambassador and Mme de Beaumarchais, M F. Gadol, M Robert Moinet, Sir Anthony Meyer, MP (vice-chairman), Mr Julian Amery, MP, the Hon Anthony Berry, MP, Mr John Biggs-Davison, MP, Mr Peter Blaker, MP, Mr Ray Carter, MP, Sir Geoffrey de Freitas, MP, Lord Gladwyn, Mr Walter Johnson, MP, the Earl of Listowel, Lord Mayhew-King, Mr Arthur Palmer, MP, Mr Tom Urwin, MP, Mr F. G. Crocker, Mr J. Carter and Lieutenant-Commander Christopher Powell.

Commonwealth Parliamentary Association
The Secretary-General of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association General Council, Sir Robin Vanderfelt, gave a luncheon yesterday at Stone's in honour of Mr F. M. Daly, Minister for Services and Property, and Leader of the House, Australia. The other guests included:
Miss Betty Boothroyd, MP, Sir Bernard Braine, MP, Mr A. L. Doole, Mr Ian Gow, Lord Harris of Greenwich and Mr William Whitelaw, MP.

Museum of the Year Award
Mr Elliot Richardson, American Ambassador, was guest of honour and presented the National Heritage Museum of the Year Awards for 1975 at a luncheon given by *The Illustrated London News* at Vintners' Hall, London, yesterday. Sir John Pope-Hennessy, Director of the British Museum, also spoke and Mr James Bishop, Editor of *The Illustrated London News*, presided.

Reception

Apostolic Delegate
To mark the occasion of the twelfth anniversary of the election of Pope Paul VI, Archbishop Bruno B. Heim, the Apostolic Delegate, held a reception yesterday evening at Archbishop's House. Among those present were:
Members of her Majesty's Government and the Opposition, members of both Houses of Parliament, the Diplomatic Corps, the Roman Catholic hierarchy, representatives of national Catholic organizations and leaders of other churches.

Dinners

Speaker
The Speaker gave a dinner in Speaker's House yesterday evening in honour of M Edgar Faure, President of the French Chamber of Deputies, and Mme Faure. The French Ambassador and Mme de Beaumarchais were present. Other guests were:
The Lord Chancellor and Lady Elwyn-Jones, Mr Edward Short, MP, and Mrs Short, Mr Roy Jenkins, MP, and Mrs Jenkins, Mr Fred Peart, MP, and Mrs Peart, Mr John Peyton, MP, and Mrs Peyton, Lord and Lady Duncan-Sandys, Mr Michael Stewart, MP, and Baroness Stewart of Alvechurch, Mr Jeremy Thorpe, MP, Lord and Lady Beswick, Sir Geoffrey de Freitas, MP, and Lady de Freitas, Lord Llewelyn-Davies and Lady Llewelyn-Davies of Hastoe, Lord and Lady Gladwyn, M Jean-Pierre Angremy, Mr Peter Blaker, MP, Earl and Countess Cowley, Mr John Cronin, MP, and Mrs Cronin, Earl and Countess Ferrers, M Francois Gadol, the Earl and Countess of Gowrie, Sir David and Lady Lidderdale, M Robert Moinet, Sir Patrick and Lady Reilly, M Philippe Selz, Mr F. J. Carter, Mr F. G. Crocker, Canon and Mrs David Edwards, and Brigadier and Mrs N. T. V. Short.

1900 Club
A house dinner of the 1900 Club was held yesterday evening at the Dorchester Hotel. Sir Monty Finniston was the guest of honour and Lord Tweedsmuir presided.

Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain
The Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain held a council dinner yesterday evening at 17 Bloomsbury Square. The president, Mr I. Bannerman, presided and Sir Don Ryder and Mr D. Sharpe also spoke. Others present included:
Lord Shawcross, QC, Mr Ian Gilmour, MP, Sir Ronald Gibson, Mr David [illegible]

University news

Oxford
Appointment:
Professor R. A. Marcus, BSc, PhD (McGill), professor of chemistry in Illinois since 1964, to be visiting professor in theoretical chemistry.

Awards:
Hertford Prize and first de Paravicini Prize, R. G. Griffiths-Jones, Scholar, New Coll; second de Paravicini Prize, N. J. Kroll, Scholar, CCC; proxime accessit, H. C. Lawson-Tancred, Scholar, Ball.

Elections:
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE: to a fellowship and praelectorship in classics, C. B. R. Pelling, MA, DPhil.
NEW COLLEGE: to scholarships, J. H. Bracher and I. D. Kellas; to an exhibition, M. K. Middleton.

London
Appointments:
Dr J. L. Jowell, BA, LLB, BA, MA, LLM, lecturer at the London School of Economics, to the chair of public law at University College.
Dr J. R. Henderson, MA, BSc, BM, BCh, PhD, senior lecturer in physiology at Guy's Hospital Medical School, to the readership in physiology at St George's Hospital Medical School.

Conferment of titles:
Professor of education, Dr B. Holmes, BSc, PhD, in respect of his post at the Institute of Education.
Professor of education, Dr L. J. King, BA, MA, PhD, in respect of his post at King's College.
Professor of English, L. H. Drake, BA, MA, in respect of his post at Queen Mary College.
Reader in ecclesiastical history, Dr W. D. J. Cargill Thompson, BA, MA, PhD, in respect of his post at King's College.
Reader in clinical pharmacology, Dr B. N. C. Prichard, BSc, MSc, MB, BS, in respect of his post at University College Hospital Medical School.

QUEEN ELIZABETH COLLEGE
Grants:
£11,545 for Professor Gahan's optical and electron microscope cytochemical studies of hydrolases during xylem differentiation and £8,100 for Professor Burge's work on the development and application of binary filters in high-resolution electron microscopy, both from the Science Research Council.

Liverpool
Promotions:
Senior lecturer to reader: Ancient history and classical archaeology, F. W. Marsden, MA, PhD (Cantab); Modern history, P. E. H. Hair, MA (Cantab), DPhil (Oxon), W. J. Rowe, MA, BPhil (Oxon); Biochemistry, C. Green, BSc, PhD (Liverpool); Medical entomology, W. W. Macdonald, PhD (Liverpool), DSc (Glasgow); Surgery, A. Cuschieri, MD (Malta), ChM (Liverpool); Dental sciences, A. G. Leaver, BSc, PhD (Liverpool); Electrical engineering and electronics, J. A. Rees, BSc, PhD (Wales); Metallurgy and materials science, M. J. Bevis, BSc, PhD (London).
Lecturer to senior lecturer: Medieval history, A. R. Cobban, MA (Aberdeen and Cambridge), PhD (Cantab); Modern history, P. J. Buckland, MA (Birmingham), PhD (Belfast), J. R. Fisher, BA, MPhil (London), PhD (Liverpool); Philosophy, P. Helm, BA (Oxon); Botany, G. Russell, BSc, PhD (St Andrews); Geology, A. L. Harris, BSc, PhD (London), J. S. Watterson, BSc, PhD (London); Pure mathematics, J. Brown, MA (St Andrews), PhD (Newcastle upon Tyne); Physics, P. J. Mulvey, MSc (New Zealand), PhD (Liverpool), J. Hall, MA, DPhil (Oxon); Parasitology, R. P. Howells, BSc (Wales), PhD (Liverpool); Electrical engineering and electronics, B. W. Hogg, BE (NUI), PhD (Liverpool); Mechanical engineering, J. W. Weaver, BA (Nottingham), PhD (Southampton); Metallurgy and materials science, D. G. Whittle, MSc, PhD (UMIST); Veterinary clinical studies, J. W. Price, BVSc, PhD (Bristol); BA (Cambridge); Economics, R. J. Wynn, BSc, BA, MA (Ars), PhD (Reading); Geography, D. J. Siddle, BA, MLitt, PhD (Durham); Sociology, N. T. Boaden, BSc (Econ) (London), MA (Essex), PhD (Liverpool); R. Hindess, BA (Oxon), MA (Liverpool).

Appointments:
Senior lecturer (clinical) in general practice and community health, D. Robinson, MD (Manchester); lecturer in German, W. Meissner, BPhil (Liverpool); lecturer (clinical) in pathology, C. F. Burrows, MB, PhB (Liverpool); lecturer in Latin-American politics (jointly in department of political theory and institutions and the centre for Latin-American studies), R. Pollack, BA (Chile), MA (Northwestern US).

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:
Mr Ioan Evans, MP for Aberdare, to be Parliamentary Private Secretary to the Secretary of State for Wales.
Mr G. Park, MP for Coventry, North-east, to be parliamentary private secretary to Mr John Gilbert, Minister for Transport.
Sir Philip Allen and Sir James Starritt to be part-time members of the Gaming Board for Great Britain for three years from July 1.
Mr E. S. Jones to succeed Mr K. W. Mellor, QC, as a barrister member of the County Court Rule Committee.
Marshal of the Royal Air Force Sir Denis Spotswood and Brigadier G. S. Heathcote to be governors of the Star and Garter Home at Richmond upon Thames.
Mr R. H. Boyers to be a full-time chairman of Industrial Tribunals (England and Wales).
Professor F. R. Jevons, MA, PhD (Cantab), DSc (Manchester), professor of liberal studies in science at Manchester University, has been appointed the first Vice-chancellor of Geelong University, Australia.
Mr L. Carus, head of the strings department of the Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Drama, to be head of the Birmingham School of Music. He will be succeeded by Mr P. Mountain, concert-master of the Academy of the BBC.

£75,000 July Premium Bond prizewinner

The £75,000 winner in the July Premium Bond draw is 5 KK 240509. The holder lives in Surrey.

The £25,000 winner is 3 KT 150475. The holder lives in Wolverhampton.

£5,000 winners are:

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1 AS 769675	SS 827113
3 AT [illegible]	7 SW [illegible]
5 AK 643519	4 SW [illegible]
5 BL 112049	8 SN 727962
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5 DF 171215	4 TS 786341
2 FW 680443	3 VZ 672052
3 FK [illegible]	4 VK 684705
1 HP 721000	7 VT 720860
3 KT 655578	7 VK 677771
5 KW 890481	6 VL 477152
8 KL 779558	1 WT 411272
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1 LP 140164	10 WT 654591
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8 PW 211845	13 ZP 688440
6 QP 656419	

The £1,000 winners are:

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Science report

Pollution: Safety of car exhausts

The supposed hazards to health of carbon monoxide in the atmosphere have led to recent legislation on both sides of the Atlantic to limit its level in vehicle exhaust fumes. But those measures, and any future ones, are worthless, according to a new study reported in *Nature* in which it is shown that the City of London is very nearly as safe as the Channel Island of Sark in terms of the dangers from carbon monoxide.

Dr Peter Cole, consultant anaesthetist at St Bartholomew's Hospital, London, chose Sark for his comparison with London because, thanks to the Dame of Sark, no motor vehicles are allowed on the island except a few diesel tractors. Not surprisingly, the amount of carbon monoxide in the air is only one part in a million, about a hundredth of the peak levels reached on urban roads.

From a health point of view the more important measure is the quantity of carboxyhaemoglobin in the blood stream of a person exposed to carbon monoxide. Carboxyhaemoglobin is formed by the combination of carbon monoxide with haemoglobin and can cause death, because the haemoglobin is progressively prevented from carrying an adequate supply of oxygen to the tissues of the body. Poisoning by town gas occurs in that way.

Blood levels of carboxyhaemoglobin in a City of London office, where the atmospheric level of carbon monoxide was between three and eight times greater than on Sark, proved to be almost twice as high as on Sark, but not dangerous. In the outpatients' department of St Bartholomew's Hospital the carbon monoxide and carboxyhaemoglobin levels were both slightly lower than in the London office, a finding Dr Cole attributes to the ban on smoking in the hospital. Smoking is highly relevant to the study because tobacco smoke, like car fumes, is a source of carbon monoxide. Dr Cole had therefore been careful to sample only the blood of non-smokers. However, he did at the same time take samples from smokers in the London office and, as expected, he found that the carboxyhaemoglobin levels in their blood were at least five times greater than in their non-smoking colleagues.

It is clear from Dr Cole's paper that, although motor vehicles do increase atmospheric carbon monoxide levels in blood, the health risk incurred is negligible. The carbon monoxide in inhaled tobacco smoke presents a much greater risk to the smoker, however. Fortunately non-smokers who have to breathe the air exhaled by their smoking colleagues have only slightly higher blood carboxyhaemoglobin levels than they would otherwise, and the increase can hardly be considered a health hazard.

Dr Cole concludes that the risk to health from carbon monoxide in motor vehicle exhausts is so small that any attempts to enforce modifications to car exhausts, such as are being implemented in the United States, would be as futile as they are costly.

Other recent studies add weight to that view. It has been shown by Professor P. J. Lawther's Medical Research Council Air Pollution Unit, also at St Bartholomew's Hospital, that even traffic policemen, who must be exposed to prolonged high levels of exhaust carbon monoxide, have only minimally increased carboxyhaemoglobin levels in their blood, as long as they do not smoke.

There must remain a slight possibility that people already suffering from respiratory or cardiac conditions could be further harmed by local, very high levels of atmospheric carbon monoxide. Perhaps that risk is an acceptable one.

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OBITUARY

DR W. R. MATTHEWS

A zestful academic career

A correspondent writes:

The death occurred in Los Angeles on 11 June of Dr William Richard Matthews, Professor Emeritus of English at the University of California, Los Angeles.

He had a remarkable career. Born in London, close by Bow Bells—a true Cockney—he was brought up by a widowed mother and left school at fourteen without receiving any secondary education. He became a clerk and until 1929 worked in the Parliamentary Solicitors' Office, where he established a reputation with his phenomenally rapid and accurate shorthand.

Whilst there, he took his BA in his spare time at Birkbeck College, where to his everlasting good fortune, he came into contact with several fine teachers, among them Marjorie Daunt, who recognized his quality and set him off on the road to an academic career. He specialized in the language and literature of medieval English, writing his MA and PhD dissertations in that field.

But jobs were hard to come by: Birkbeck created a small post for him (making him clerk of the Students' Union), and he eked out a living by writing articles on his native cockney, which sometimes attracted attention (as he loved to relate) because the readers thought they came from the pen of the Dean of St Paul's, another W. R. Matthews. In 1938 he went to the United States as an instructor at the University of Wisconsin, and it was there he made his home, eventually becoming a full professor of UCLA and receiving an honorary degree from Claremont. Towards the end of his career, he was made Director of the Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies at UCLA, and since his retirement in 1972 he had been Visiting Distinguished Professor at the University of Pittsburgh. He was President of the International Association of University Professors of English from 1971 to 1974, and had the unenviable but to him exciting job of organizing their conference in his last year of office.

Throughout his working life, he had pursued with the greatest zest his professional interest. He had in fact two—modern diaries, and (what was more immediately his professional concern) late medieval language and literature. He published standard bibliographies of English, American and Canadian diaries and autobiographies, and made a transcription of Pepys's shorthand diary which has been the basis of the new text published by him and Robert Latham in the recent (and not yet completed) edition.

He was one of the very few people to have made a study of seventeenth-century shorthand (he did it largely for the sake of its value for the history of pronunciation), and had published some interesting work on the subject. As a medievalist he wrote prolifically on English literature of the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries. Perhaps his most remarkable work was his book on Malory—*The Ill-Framed Knight*, published in 1966, which challenged on linguistic grounds the orthodox view of the identity of the author.

He had a vigorous can-do mind and a relish for controversy and his writing was at its best and most pungent when he was arguing a case—preferably *contra mundum*.

Shortly before his death he was at work on a new edition of the *Morte D'Arthur* and a new version of his *Bibliography of Diaries*, and had just finished a book on the *Canterbury Tales*. His first book (published in 1938 and again in 1972) had been *Cockney Past and Present: a Short History of the Dialect of London*, and to the end he remained very much a Londoner at heart, although he had become an American citizen.

Nothing gave him greater pleasure than his election last year to a fellowship at his old college, Birkbeck—the greatest honour it has the power to bestow.

He married an American who survives him and who gave him many years of happiness. To the end he remained devoted to his mother who predeceased him by only a few years, a marvellous old Cockney lady who had joined him to spend the last years of her life in Hollywood where her lack of affectation and love of fun made her well-known and beloved.

CONSTANTINOS DOXIADIS

B.W.J. writes:

May I say a word about one of the achievements of Constantinos Doxiadis which, because of its imaginative informality, may be lost among all the various and wide-ranging activities of his remarkable career? He realized, possibly sooner than any other urban planner, that our planet is being engulfed in a tidal movement towards global urbanization. Dr Doxiadis decided that only a sort of "world alert" had any hope of creating the degree of public attention needed to concentrate men's minds on this imminent urban crisis.

In a series of meetings arranged as part of a working cruise round the island sites and ancient cities of classical Greece—the annual Delos Symposion—he brought together distinguished urban planners, transport engineers, publicists, geographers, demographers, planners, and architects in a week-long discussion of the urban crisis and of the inter-disciplinary skills that would be needed to grasp and attack it.

It is difficult to give any idea of the quality and richness of these exchanges—the challenge of Buckminster Fuller confronting Herman Kahn, the indomitable chairmanship of Margaret Mead, the range of discussion involving the Chief Officer of Detroit Edison with the leading new town official from the Soviet Central Town Planning Agency, the diversity and contrast of the company from the down-to-earth commonsense of the late and much lamented Robert Matthew to the enigmatic and pregnant utterances of Marshall MacLuhan.

This was a combination of socratic dialogue and spontaneous improvisation which enriched the understanding and sharpened the conscience of a small but genuinely planetary community; the result can be seen as a quantum jump to a much more widespread recognition of the scale of the problem—the realization, incidentally, underlies the United Nations Conference HABITAT to be held in Vancouver in June next year.

And at the core of this unique exercise in education was Constantinos Doxiadis himself, challenging, critical—self-critical, of course—ever alert, full of gaiety, suffusing the group with his own vast energies, sustaining the experiments by his extraordinary mixture of enthusiasm and ability to organize and lead, as illness deprived him first of speech and then of every movement save will and courage, giving his friends an inimitable example of joyful fortitude.

He was a teacher beyond compare and, above all, a friend. We are all diminished by his loss.

MR ROBERT STOLZ

Nigel Douglas writes:

Robert Stolz was remarkable for his resilience and adaptability. Having started his musical career before the invention of the motor car, he latterly felt quite at home on jet aeroplanes; and although events like the 1929 slump, and his own refusal to countenance the Nazis, resulted several times in his losing every penny he possessed, he always managed to put himself back on his feet. When he returned to Vienna from his wartime exile in America, he was 66, and might have taken things easy. But the last 28 years of his life were almost his busiest, thanks partly to the tireless devotion of his fifth wife, Einzi. Till the age of 92 he continued to conduct his concerts of Viennese music with many leading orchestras, both in and outside Europe, and at 85 he made his conducting debut in the Vienna State Opera. His recording career covered virtually the entire history of the gramophone, starting in 1904. [illegible] he conducted Selma Kurz [illegible] his Johann Strauss recording with the Berlin Symphony Orchestra, made within the last two years, provide a lasting proof of his mastery of the elusive Viennese style, based on a daring but always original use of rubato. As a composer he never managed to write a really great operetta, but hundreds of his individual songs have established themselves as classics of the repertoire. It was remarkable for singers like myself, of today's generation, should have been able to work with a conductor who had played the piano to Brahms and heard Johann Strauss conduct "Die Fledermaus"; and though in recent years Stolz was heaped with honours, those of us who enjoyed his friendship will remember his utterly unpompous sense of humour, and the irreverent twinkle in those very bright blue eyes.

PER WAHLÖÖ

Julian Symons writes:

It was impossible to know Per Wahlöö (whose death has been briefly recorded) even slightly without appreciating his vigorous and powerful mind. He was an extreme Left-winger with a taste for popular sport, and his interest in British football, and especially in Millwall, was passionate.

I remember an afternoon in a friend's Copenhagen flat when conversation was frequently broken by Wahlöö rushing into the next room to watch an English cup tie on television, and returning to report the situation. The books he wrote with his Maj Sjöwall represent an attempt to bring his political feelings into a literary form with a wide appeal.

They are excellent of their kind, although Wahlöö's own personality was much more interesting than that of his rather lugubrious hero, Martin Beck. They are not, however, his only claim to literary attention. Before the collaboration with his wife he wrote two remarkable, although not wholly successful, Kafkan semi-surrealist political thrillers, *Murder on the Thirty-first Floor* and *The Steel Spring*.

The Wahlöö/Sjöwall stories were uneven, but the themes they used, and the attitude from which they were written, show a rare, impressive originality.

Professor Joseph Proudman, CBE, FRS, Emeritus Professor of Liverpool University, died on June 26. He was Professor of Applied Mathematics 1919-33; and Professor of Oceanography, 1933-54.

Lord Clyde, PC, Lord Justice General of Scotland and Lord President of the Court of Session, 1954-72, died on June [illegible] at the age of 76. He was Conservative MP for North Edinburgh, 1950-54.

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Pound rallies strongly as Healey measures impress currency dealers

By Melvyn Westlake

The Chancellor's firm statement in the Commons gave the pound the fillip it so desperately needed, and it yesterday registered one of the sharpest recoveries on the international exchanges since it began its float three years ago.

After again toppling sharply in the first few minutes of trading, the pound started to rally forcefully during the morning, even before it was learnt that Mr Healey intended to address the Commons in the afternoon.

His statement immediately sent the currency bounding upwards. By the close its "depreciation rate" against 10 other key currencies, from the base date of December, 1971, had been reduced by 1.1 percentage point, to 27.8 per cent. At this level it had thus recovered the greater part of Monday's heavy loss.

The pound's advance against the dollar was rather less marked, as the American currency was also strengthening. But sterling still ended with a net gain of 180 points, or over 1¼ cents, to close at $2.2100.

Currency dealers both in the City and in other major financial centres appeared to have been impressed with the Chancellor's intention to hold wage and price rises down to 10 per cent, if necessary by law.

At the same time the overwhelming vote in favour of flat-rate pay increases given by the Transport and General Workers', the country's largest union, at its Blackpool conference, also contributed to sterling's rally.

It was not believed that the Bank of England had aided the recovery. Dealers said that the sharp upturn had sufficiently strong impetus to render any official help totally unnecessary.

However, in the first 30 minutes of trading sterling had plunged to a fresh all-time "low" — its "depreciation rate" at that stage worsened to 29.2 per cent and its rate against the dollar dropped to $2.1710.

In spite of the prompt recovery, there was still some scepticism in the market whether the more militant unions would accept either voluntary or legal restraints on wage claims. It was argued that the Chancellor had only won a respite for the pound and it could begin to slide once again unless Mr Healey's strategy showed fairly early signs of being effective.

Meanwhile, the dollar advanced strongly against all the major continental currencies.

Peter Norman writes from Bonn: Bankers in Frankfurt and Zurich extended a fairly lukewarm welcome to Mr Healey's statement. Without a positive trade union response and in the absence of details of how the Chancellor proposes to enforce his decision should a voluntary pact prove unobtainable, the bankers preferred to wait before venturing a forecast of the prospects for the British economy and sterling.

A week in economics—just like a week in politics—is a long time and the foreign bankers were inclined to hold back to see what happens between now and publication of the promised Government White Paper. Fresh in the memory are the failures of Mr Heath's statutory approach to incomes policy and Mr Wilson's social contract.

The pound, however, did recover strongly on continental foreign exchange markets. In Frankfurt it closed around DM5.22 against an opening rate of DM5.12, while in Zurich it moved up to around 5.52 Swiss francs from 5.43.

But most of the recovery seems to have set in before Mr Healey made his statement. Frankfurt foreign exchange dealers reported that strong covering of presumably short positions by English commercial banks pushed the rate for sterling higher.

Sharp gains by equities and gilts

By Our Financial Staff

Mr Healey's anti-inflation proposals found a warm reception in the City, and both shares and gilt-edged stocks extended earlier gains during late dealings yesterday.

The equity market rose very sharply in anticipation of the Chancellor's measures. Further gains in almost all sections after his speech had been reported in the City left the FT index—whose 40th anniversary it was yesterday—with a record one day gain of 23.7 points at 315.5.

Initial response in the stock market appeared balanced between relief that the Government had brought in its economic package, the arrival of which has been almost desperately awaited for the past week, and some doubts as to whether it will prove sufficiently severe. Dealers pointed to the absence of statutory control of wages and of cuts in public expenditure.

Store and consumer shares rose by 15p or so as investors showed relief that the Government has not chosen to clamp down on prices. Marks & Spencer (199p), Tesco (43p) and British Home Stores (302p), were among these to move up strongly.

But the major rises came in the leading exporter shares, where ICI (264p), Glaxo (339p), Unilever (382p) and Fisons (380p), all reported gains well into double figures. Turnover however, was light yesterday.

The marker's considered response can be expected today.

In the gilts market prices tended to rise ¼ or ⅜ point shortly after the Chancellor's announcement.

Earlier the market had recovered from a ½ or ⅝ point marking down at the opening. Prices had been lowered because of continuing concern over sterling and press reports that public spending cuts would not constitute part of the Government's attempts to check inflation.

On the day "shorts" were mostly ½ or ⅝ point up, while "longs" showed good gains of ⅝ point. The improvement yesterday was almost sufficient to wipe out Monday's decline.

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Powers of enforcement outlined next week

By David Young

The Price Commission and Mrs Shirley Williams's Department of Prices and Consumer Protection will be the main weapons used by the Government to ensure that the statutory pay and dividend limits, which are likely to be introduced, are adhered to by the private sector.

Mr Denis Healey, the Chancellor, said yesterday that it was still hoped that a voluntary wages policy could be worked out between the TUC and the CBI, but in the event of no such agreement being reached a statutory policy was awaiting introduction and would be outlined in a White Paper, to be published early next week.

It now seems likely, however, that the first group of workers in the public sector to be caught in a statutory pay policy will be the local authority manual workers who traditionally negotiate in September. Thinking within the Treasury is that the pay round which Mr Healey referred to will start with them and run for a year.

This means that the second major group in the public sector will be the miners, who are due to formulate their claim next week at their union's annual conference in Scarborough, and they will provide the new legislation with its sternest test.

Whether pay rises in the private sector will be limited from the same time as the public sector has not yet been clarified, but it is thought likely that the statutory limitations will become operative as soon as Mr Healey can get parliamentary approval, probably late next week.

Mr Healey made it clear yesterday that he will rely on the Price Commission to make sure that the limitations within the private sector are adhered to, but next week's White Paper will have to close firmly the many loopholes which are appearing.

Mrs Shirley Williams, the Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, first suggested that the Commission could be used to police pay increases last November in a consultative document which included the suggestion that the Prices Code could be amended to include penal clauses.

This suggestion, looked at by both sides of industry at the time, was then considered to be unnecessary, but it is understood to have been taken from the shelf by Mr Healey and will form the basis in his White Paper for controlling rises in the private sector.

The penal clause will mean that companies who are found to have paid rises in excess of the statutory limits will not be allowed to recoup the cost of that part of the rise, or possibly even any of the pay rise, in increased prices. Another possibility is that companies breaching the pay code will not be allowed to claim the investment relief available under the Prices Code.

The introduction of such clauses in the Price Code could be written in by statutory instrument as amendments to the Code.

Dividend curb starts immediately

By Our Financial Editor

Dividends, like wages, are to be restricted to an increase of no more than 10 per cent annually. This compares with the ruling permitted maximum of 12½ per cent which has been in force since last July when Mr Healey raised the level from 5 per cent.

But unlike wages the new dividend restriction takes effect at once, and only those companies which had announced final dividend payments of above 10 per cent on or before July 1 escape the net.

The argument about whether dividend restraint actually achieves anything or whether it is a necessary political sop is a complicated one. So much so that last July when Mr Healey simply eased dividend restraint in the face of a solid campaign for him to abolish it altogether, he also announced that a comprehensive review of dividend controls was to take police.

The Royal Commission on the Distribution of Income and Wealth, which undertook this review, is due to give its views on dividends this month.

Mr Healey's latest move on dividends is not seen as a severe restriction in the City given that the 12½ per cent maximum applied anyway. In fact, the latest restriction looks more equitable since dividends are now in line with the intended wages norm.

Moreover, the concessions—including the ability to increase dividends above the maximum when capital is raised for investment such as is often the case with rights issues—remain under the new restraint order.

CBI doubts on pay pact with unions

By Malcolm Brown

Hopes among employers that industry might reach a voluntary pay pact with the Trades Union Congress were evaporating fast last night.

The Confederation of British Industry said in a statement that they were "ready to continue discussions with the Government and the TUC." But in private the chances of a voluntary agreement being reached are rated extremely low.

The CBI is now awaiting an invitation from the Government for talks. It was said last night that it was unlikely that the CBI would seek further talks with the TUC, although the TUC, which had initiated the bi-partite discussions in the first place, might make an approach.

One strong probability is that the meeting of the National Economic Development Council this morning will be used by Mr Healey to spell out in detail his plans before both sides of industry.

The council is not normally regarded as a negotiating body for day to day problems, but it is likely the three sides will use the forum today to clarify their views.

The employers' strong doubts about the chances of reaching any kind of voluntary agreement are based on a hard appraisal of the outcome of the last meeting between the TUC and the CBI on June 24.

Although the official joint statement issued after that meeting spoke in harmonious terms it seems to have been clear to the industrial leaders who attended that the two sides were still significantly apart on several of the critical issues.

The CBI team had told the unions that they considered a 10 per cent pay increase the absolute ceiling. The TUC, while not mentioning specific figures, apparently made it clear that they were thinking in terms of something a good deal higher.

On the possibilities of further price controls the CBI said last night: "With regard to prices we remain extremely concerned that measures should not be taken that will be detrimental to companies' already very difficult financial situation and thus to their future investment and employment prospects."

The employers were not about to become a "fall guy" as one CBI official put it last night, but it is clear that if the terms of any policy look sufficiently right to do the job intended, then the employers will be willing to examine any realistic requests on prices.

Warning as Mr Varley postpones takeover Bill

By Peter Hill
Industrial Correspondent

Postponement of its plans for the nationalization of the shipbuilding and aircraft industries was formally confirmed by the Government yesterday. But Mr Eric Varley, the Secretary of State for Industry, sounded a warning against any attempts to frustrate the objectives of public ownership.

The minister made the widely anticipated announcement of the postponement of the Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries Bill to the next parliamentary session in a written Commons reply yesterday.

Leaders of the shipbuilding industry will meet Mr Varley at the end of this week. They will emphasize their anxiety at the effects of further uncertainty created by the delays, and will press for some constructive steps to be taken towards establishment of a comprehensive national policy for the industry.

Their leaders are concerned that British shipbuilding should lack a coherent policy at a time when the industry internationally is faced with serious problems of overcapacity and a dearth of new orders.

Already there have been warnings of considerable unemployment in British shipyards when the industry's present order book is completed in two to three years' time.

In his statement, Mr Varley said the Government attached the "highest importance" to ending the delay and uncertainty for the two industries. Legislative congestion and the lack of parliamentary time had made it impossible for the Bill to complete its progress through Parliament before the end of the current session.

The Bill would be proceeded with "at the very earliest opportunity in the next session".

Although the Government is still insisting that the companies will be nationalized as early as possible next year, it is now considered unlikely that vesting day for the companies involved can be achieved much before late summer next year.

Mr Varley emphasized that the safeguarding provisions embodied in the Bill would continue, and the Government reserved the right—"should there be any deliberate attempt to frustrate the objectives of public ownership"—to introduce further similar provisions which might be retrospective.

The Government was ready to discuss with all parties what it could do to help, he said. "If directors should feel in any specific cases that the safeguarding provisions are impeding normal business transactions, they should get in touch with my department which will do their best speedily to resolve any uncertainty. I would expect such cases to be exceptional", he added.

Oil companies cleared by cartel body

Berne, July 1.—Swiss subsidiaries of the International Oil companies did not misuse their market power in the 1973/74 oil crisis vis-à-vis the independent oil traders and consumers, the Swiss Cartel Commission said, today.

The commission said in a report on the competitive situation on the market for fluid fuels that there was no reason to object to the oil product prices charged during the crisis, since they were determined by price levels on the free market.

A review of the cost accounts of the Swiss subsidiaries for the first and second quarter of 1974 showed that the relation of net profit to turnover and capital were within limits not unusual in other industries, the commission added.—Reuter.

US Treasury raises $82m in gold auction despite many low bids

From Frank Vogl
Washington, July 1

At an auction today the American Treasury sold 499,500 ounces of gold at the acceptance price of $165.05 (about £75) an ounce fixed by it to produce total revenue to the Government of $82.4m.

Altogether 758 bids were received and it took more than 11 hours for all to be read out. The vast majority were at well below the $165.05 level and the volume represented by all was more than four million ounces.

Just 70 bids from 41 organizations or individuals were accepted. Most of the largest successful ones were made by foreign banks and dealers.

The Swiss Bank Corporation obtained the largest volume, 140,000 ounces. It was followed by Republic National Bank of New York with 97,500 ounces and N. M. Rothschild and Sons of London with 90,000 ounces.

Other successful bidders were: Sharps, Pixley with 52,750 ounces; Mocatta Metals Corporation with 32,500; Compagnie de Banque et d'Investissments with 29,750; Merrill, Montagu, Handy and Harman with 26,000; and the Swiss Credit Bank with 23,000 ounces.

From the Treasury's point of view the auction was clearly a success, and it may be stimulated to hold further gold sales.

It was evident that the majority of bidders were influenced by the floor price of $153 an ounce set by the Treasury at its first gold auction in January. Most saw the sale as a means of obtaining gold at prices substantially below market rates.

The final price set by the Treasury, at which all successful bids will be accepted, irrespective of whether they were above the $165.05 price, may not prove to be such a bargain. The current market price in London and Zurich is only slightly above the Treasury's price, but much could change in the 20 days before the Treasury gold is delivered.

In addition, the Treasury's gold is to be delivered in 250-ounce bars and some buyers may have to smelt this down at some cost to turn their purchases into the 400-ounce bars which are most frequently sold.

The highest and lowest bids were both made within the first half-hour of the sale at $182 and $32.50 respectively.

Rothmans profits fall £5.8m

By Our Financial Staff

Pre-tax profits at Rothmans International, the big tobacco company, slumped last year to £21.4m from the preceding nine months' figure of £27.2m. Apart from lower profits in Germany accentuated by a £1m factory closure in Berlin, the group, whose brands include Rothmans, Piccadilly and Guards, was hit both by sterling devaluation on its DM/sterling convertible bonds and insufficient United Kingdom profits to obtain relief on the interest payments.

Due to a clause in the 1973 Finance Act, the group tax charge is abnormally high at 64 per cent. In 1955, the Dunhill subsidiary issued preference shares by way of bonus and these are now counted as equity, thus reducing Rothmans' stake from 51 per cent to under 50 per cent. Thus Rothmans is unable to obtain relief on its Advance Corporation Tax

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Negligible response to jobs transfer scheme

Officials of the Government's employment transfer team are concerned that not enough people are taking advantage of financial assistance available to them under the scheme.

This includes help—more than £1,000 in some cases—to the unemployed and people facing redundancy who move home to take new jobs.

Fewer than 15,000 people used the scheme nationally over a 12 month period.

Blow to US hopes of a recovery

From US Economics Correspondent

Washington, July 1.—Stocks of goods at United States manufacturers fell by 1 per cent in May, representing the sharpest monthly drop in 17 years.

The decline in business inventories was the third successive monthly fall and the first time since the summer of 1973 that stocks have fallen for three successive months.

These figures, released today by the Department of Commerce, have slightly jolted those experts who have recently been loudly predicting that the American recession is over.

Inventories of all manufacturing industries declined last month after falling by 0.7 per cent and by 0.5 per cent respectively in the previous two months.

This decline of $1.444m (about £605m) taking the total of manufacturers' inventories to $148,740m.

New orders for manufactured goods rose by 0.3 per cent last month, or $260m; but shipments of goods fell 1 per cent or $818m, resulting in unfilled orders at the end of the month decreasing by 0.5 per cent or $653m.

President Ford, undaunted by these latest figures, stated today that the recession is over, but he gave a warning that "we must make certain that our recovery is based on sound economic policies, or we stand in danger of setting off another massive rise in inflation and even deeper recession."

Pernas is seeking new British link-up

By Margaret Drummond

Pernas, part of the state-controlled Malaysian National Corporation at present involved in the ill-fated partnership proposals with Haw Par and London Tin is apparently negotiating a second deal linking it with a United Kingdom-based company with large interests in the Malaysian plantations sector, according to its chairman, Tengku Razaleigh Humzah.

The London stockmarket was at a loss as to the identity of the company although favourite candidates include Plantation Holdings, where Hurchison International is believed to be prepared to sell its 30 per cent shareholding: Harrisons & Crosfield; Highlands & Lowlands, and Consolidated Plantations.

Meanwhile, the link-up proposals between Pernas and Haw Par appear to be deadlocked. It is understood that Haw Par's financial advisors, Baring Brothers and Schroder Wagg are now presenting their recommendations on reshaping the proposals to the various parties in Singapore after discussions with interested London institutions.

Tengku Razaleigh is reported as saying his company has no intention of making the general Singapore $2.42 per share offer for Haw Par demanded by the Singapore Takeover Panel some two weeks ago. And he said it was unlikely to make a direct bid for London Tin, where it owns a fifth of the equity and, together with Haw Par is subject to a London Takeover Panel directive to bid for the minority.

In an interview with Reuter Tengku Razaleigh discounted the idea of putting pressure on London Tin through non-renewal of its leases, although the 11 individual state governments which make up the Malaysian Federation had the power to do so.

Tate and Lyle to raise £18.5m with rights issue

Tate & Lyle is to raise £18.5m through a one-for-four rights issue at 170p per share. The move is designed to enlarge the capital base of the group in order to "continue the programme for growth and development". The news held the shares back during yesterday's sharp recovery, and they closed 3p down at 228p; but the underwriting has been successfully arranged.

Among the objects to which the proceeds of the issue are to be applied are the modernization and improvement of refineries, capital investment in the growing storage and distribution business, continuing research into new sugar-based products.

The board has forecast a 12.5 per cent increase in the total distribution this year, although the new shares will rank pari passu for the final dividend. The authorised capital is to be increased from £50m to £95m.

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Sir Derek's plea to the miners

By Edward Townsend

Sir Derek Ezra, chairman of the National Coal Board, is to make a strong plea to next week's annual conference of the National Union of Mineworkers to keep the next pay claim within the Chancellor's new limits and "to recognize the plight of the country".

The conference, which starts on Monday, is due to debate resolutions, backed by the militant Scottish and Yorkshire miners, calling for wage increases that would give face workers £100 a week.

Sir Derek said last night that the board faced a difficult task in convincing the miners of the need for restraint. But since some of the resolutions had been formulated the country's economic situation had worsened.

"I think the bulk of miners are responsible people and I do not think they want to see the country go down and our currency not worth the paper on which it is printed".

Commenting on the Chancellor's statement Sir Derek said: "It is quite clear that urgent measures had to be taken to combat inflation and a particular responsibility lies with all employees, and specifically in the major industries.

The coal industry was in a good position to make a big improvement to the country's balance of payments

Cash limit on public sector wage bills

By Tim Congdon

Cash limits on public sector wage bills are to be introduced as part of the Government's attempts to develop a workable incomes policy.

They are seen as an integral part of the Government's approach to moderating wage inflation and will complement the effect of weak demand in the private sector. But it is understood that the major nationalized industries have not so far been consulted by the Treasury about the form the limits will take.

Cash limits are also to be implemented as a method of improving short-term control over public expenditure. The Treasury is understood to have been exploring this technique for about three months, but definite plans have not been finalized so far. The spending departments have been asked for their views on the applicability of cash limits in future.

Although the interaction between the new cash limit system and the existing constant price control under the Public Expenditure Survey Committee has not yet been resolved, it has been suggested that the cash limits will be worked out for a year ahead, while the present five-year programme published annually in a Public Expenditure White Paper will continue to be expressed in constant terms.

How the markets moved

FT index: 315.5 +23.7
The Times index: 133.28 +7.61

Rises

Ass Port Cement	15p to 143p	Glaxo Hldgs	19p to 339p
Barclays Bk	20p to 275p	GKN	28p to 240p
Beecham Grp	20p to 280p	Imp Chem Ind	13p to 264p
Brit Am Tob	16p to 321p	Metal Box	24p to 242p
Com Union	12p to 152p	MEPC	17p to 117p
Courtaulds	10p to 127p	Tube Invest	24p to 256p
Fisons	30p to 380p	Unilever	20p to 382p

Falls

Anglo Am Corp	10p to 508p	Rio Tinto Zinc	3p to 179p
Cent Prov	1p to 10p	Sentrust	10p to 410p
Int Hldgs	20p to 900p	Stand & Chart	15p to 465p
Fraternal Est	3p to 74p	Union Corp	25p to 545p
Fraser Ans	1p to 11p	Western Areas	10p to 635p
Hewitt, J.	1p to 10p	Welkom	10p to 480p
Leslie	6p to 146p	White Child	6p to 49p

Sterling rose by 180 points to $2.2100. The "effective devaluation" rate was 27.8 per cent.
Gold fell by 30 cents to $166.00 an oz.
SDR-$ was 1.23489 on Tuesday, while SDR-£ was 0.565444.
Commodities: Tin and copper fell yesterday. Reuters' commodity index closed at 1,072.6 (1,069.1 on Monday).
Equities surged ahead although turnover remained thin.
Gilt-edged securities turned higher.
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THE POUND

	Bank buys	Bank sells
Australia $	1.70	1.65
Austria Sch	37.50	35.50
Belgium Fr	81.75	79.00
Canada $	2.275	2.225
Denmark Kr	12.20	11.80
Finland Mkk	7.90	7.65
France Fr	9.00	8.70
Germany DM	5.25	5.05
Greece Dr	65.50	63.50
Hongkong $	11.40	11.00
Italy Lr	1,410.00	1,355.00
Japan Yn	665.00	640.00
Netherlands Gld	5.45	5.25
Norway Kr	11.00	10.65
Portugal Esc	54.50	52.75
S Africa Rd	1.87	1.79
Spain Pes	123.25	118.25
Sweden Kr	8.80	8.50
Switzerland Fr	5.60	5.40
US $	2.22	2.17
Yugoslavia Dnr	36.75	34.75

Rates for bank notes only, as supplied yesterday by Barclays Bank International Ltd. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business

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	1974 £'000	1973 £'000	Increase
Pre-tax Profits	4,350	2,621	+ 66%
Earnings for Ordinary Stock	1,677	1,561	+ 7.4
Earnings per Ordinary Stock Unit	18.6p	17.3p	
Net Tangible Assets for Ordinary Stock	26,361	25,471	+ 3.5%
Net Tangible Asset per Ordinary Stock Unit	292.0p	283.0p	
Gross Assets	64,443	60,409	+ 6.7%

1974 HIGHLIGHTS

- 1974 once again an all-time record with increases derived from ... growth
- Significant development achieved by the merchant banking and international finance subsidiaries
- Major advances in profits from associated companies

1975 to date

- Indications that 1975 will show satisfactory results and that dividends will once again be the maximum permitted under current legislation
- Further growth of merchant banking and offshore energy related interests
- Anticipated reduction in level of Canadian losses

Copies of the 1974 Annual Report can be obtained from the Secretary at Hellenic House, 87–97 Bath Street, Glasgow G2 2EJ

Downing St petition sounds warning of 2.5 million workless

By Malcolm Brown

A leading industrialist yesterday gave warning that if the pound continued to slide Britain could face unemployment totals of up to 2.5 million next year.

Mr David Morley-Smith, chairman of the Welsh Council of the Confederation of British Industry, was speaking after delivering a petition to Downing Street signed by more than 46,000 managers.

The petition urges the Prime Minister and the Government to drop divisive and irrelevant policies and "establish a climate within which industry and commerce can fulfil their proper function as the creators of wealth and prosperity for the whole country".

Mr Morley-Smith said the petition was a spontaneous expression of the mood of people in industry and commerce:

"It reflects our grave disquiet at the consequences of present government policies for British companies and their employees", he said. "We are concerned because unemployment is rising and is going to rise higher."

Quite apart from the obvious unemployment shown up by official statistics there was a lot of hidden unemployment as well, in terms of short-term working. He pointed out that the committee organizing the petition had felt a great sense of urgency.

"The state of the country's economy is deteriorating so fast we thought the petition should go in as soon as possible."

It was, as far as they knew, the first time that those who managed industrial and commercial undertakings, and therefore carried the greatest responsibility for the creation of the nation's wealth and prosperity, had taken the unprecedented step of petitioning the Prime Minister.

The petition says the signatories believe that government policies—particularly the Industry Bill, the Employment Protection Bill, the Capital Transfer Tax and Wealth Tax—have been and are a direct cause of the collapse of business confidence.

Industrial relations in UK attacked

By Edward Townsend

Scathing criticism of British industry for the low priority given to industrial relations and for failing to provide managers with adequate training in labour problems is contained in a report published today by the National Economic Development Office.

The report says that during investigations by NEDO's management, education, training and development committee, little evidence was uncovered to show that any major expansion of industrial relations training had occurred in recent years.

It attacks companies for subordinating industrial relations to other functional areas of management. It maintains that many industrial disputes which arise out of management action are the result of decisions taken by managers outside the IR field.

A lack of understanding by non-IR managers of "industrial relations realities" is seen, in fact, as a significant problem.

The report says that no really adequate system exists to bring academic institutions and companies together to run IR courses and its major recommendation is that an Industrial Relations Training Resource Centre be established.

Recovery in private house starts

Private sector housebuilding slipped back marginally in May, but figures published yesterday by the Department of the Environment indicate that when looked at over a slightly longer period the sector begins to show a modest recovery.

The department's figures show that during May private sector starts fell back 300 on the previous month to 13,000, while completions were down 400 to 12,000. Over the same period public sector starts and completions went up slightly.

Taking three-month totals to reduce the effect of month-to-month variations and discounting normal seasonal movements, private sector starts in March to May were up 20 per cent on the previous three months and 23 per cent on the comparable period of 1974.

Completions were 11 per cent up on the previous three months and exactly matched the performance in March to May of last year.

In the public sector, taking the same basis for comparison, starts in March to May were 15 per cent down on the previous three months and 7 per cent down on a year earlier. Council house completions were up 3 per cent on the previous three months and 23 per cent on a year ago.

No prospect of new Gatt accord until late 1976

Gatt negotiations in Tokyo now seem unlikely to be completed before late 1976 at the earliest, and may take even longer, a leading United States official said yesterday.

Mr Frederick Dent, who is President Ford's special representative for trade negotiations, told a press conference that the original target date of 1975, set at the start of the round in Tokyo in September, 1973, had been "outdistanced" by a delay in obtaining legislative authority for the United States Government.

He also indicated that while some interim agreements might be possible before the final accord, it may be very difficult to achieve the original broad objectives of the Tokyo Round until progress had been made in the battle against recession and inflation.

Leyland plant layoffs total nearly 7,000

British Leyland car production in four centres was cut yesterday and nearly 7,000 workers were laid off because of labour disputes affecting component supplies.

Car production was at a standstill at the Triumph plant at Speke, Liverpool, for the second day running, with 1,500 workers laid off; and at the Coventry Triumph plant another 1,900 workers had to be sent home.

At the Jaguar car plant, also in Coventry, a further 2,500 assembly workers were laid off yesterday and car output was seriously curtailed.

Shipping ban on four more N Sea rigs

Regulations forbidding all shipping to go within 500 metres of offshore oil and gas installations in the North Sea have been extended to include four new structures.

They are the Hamilton Brothers Argyll rig, which is producing Britain's first offshore oil; the second platform on BP's Forties field; the Occidental group's Piper platform and another on the Viking gasfield in the southern North Sea.

Companies switching to natural gas

A statistical survey of industrial and fuel and energy use, produced jointly by the Confederation of British Industry and the Department of Energy, shows that the bulk of companies changing fuels are moving towards natural gas.

Oil companies have, however, picked a few customers from coal, while the coal industry has shown a net loss according to the survey's returns.

EEC steel producers call on Japan to curb damaging export flood

By Peter Hill
Industrial Correspondent

Japan's steel industry has been urged to cut back on the levels of its exports to the European Community. In the first four months of this year these were double the level in the corresponding period of last year. The flood of Japanese low-priced exports led to complaints from EEC producers.

The appeal came during talks between steel representatives and officials of the Ministry of International Trade and Industry.

According to reports from Tokyo yesterday, there was some confusion over the interpretation which was being attached to comments made by the MITI officials.

They were regarded by some steel companies present as simply a suggestion, and by others as a direct request made against the background of complaints from Europe, following the termination of the voluntary control agreements on Japanese steel imports to the Community at the end of last year.

Official export figures issued by the Japan Steel Exporters' Association show however that exports to the EEC in the first four months of this year amounted to 729,000 tonnes compared with 332,000 tonnes in the corresponding period of last year. The ceiling under the voluntary control agreement last year was 1,050,000 tonnes.

The sharp increase in Japanese shipments to the European market is a result of poor sales in the United States and of sagging demand in the home market. The voluntary agreement which ended last year was negotiated between both European and Japanese producers in relation to their exports to the United States.

Minister's pledge on role of petrol tax in BNOC

Mr John Smith, Under-Secretary for Energy, yesterday offered full assurances to meet industry's anxieties about the way the petroleum revenue tax will operate.

The financial duties of the proposed British National Oil Corporation, he said, would be fixed to ensure that the corporation acted commercially when in partnership with private companies, and when engaged in downstream activities such as refining.

Mr Smith was speaking during the Commons committee considering the Petroleum and Submarine Pipeline Bill which sets up the BNOC.

Denying that exemption from the petroleum revenue tax would enable the corporation to hide the actual funds it was borrowing through the National Oil Account to finance its activities, Mr Smith said that the account would be audited, and the audit would be open to parliamentary scrutiny.

Opposition MPs were not satisfied with Mr Smith's assurances and pressed a Conservative amendment which would remove BNOC's exemption from PRT.

Although Mr Gordon Wilson, Scottish National Party MP for Dundee East, and Mr Jo Grimond, Liberal MP for Orkney and Shetland, voted with the Tories, the amendment was defeated by 11-10.

British Airways profit hint

By Arthur Reed
Air Correspondent

British Airways hopes to be "back in the black" during the present financial year, Sir David Nicolson, chairman of the state airline, told the Commons Select Committee on Nationalized Industries yesterday.

However, "there are so many external factors which could alter and affect us that they could mean plus or minus £20m to our results," he pointed out.

During the financial year 1974-75, British Airways made a small loss, but it would be "a good deal less than all the other large airlines experienced during this period." The airline is due to publish its 1974-75 results next month.

This had been a very difficult period in which to complete the reorganization and merger between BEA and BOAC, Sir David said.

"Inflation is very bad, because everybody is looking over their shoulder to see what the next fellow has settled for when it comes to the annual pay rise. This creates a difficult environment in which to manage change."

BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Government profligacy overwhelms industry

From Mr Peter Dye

Sir, As Mr V. H. Woodward, of the Applied Economics Department at Cambridge, points out in his letter (June 26), higher public expenditure and employment in government have been a serious hindrance to investment and employment in manufacturing industry.

Economic growth has been held back. Yet it has been fashionable until recently to lay the blame on manufacturing industry's failure to invest. I have seen no press references to a government admission this week that industry's record has not been bad.

On June 23 (Hansard, written col. 8), Mr Gerald Kaufman, for the Department of Industry, said: "They (his department's economists) have concluded that in relation to manufacturing output and growth in the United Kingdom manufacturing investment has not been low by general international standards".

He gave figures showing United Kingdom investment in manufacturing as a proportion of manufacturing net output in 1953-71, at 13.1 per cent, to be higher than that in the United States and West Germany, and only slightly below the French figure. Japan and Italy did invest a higher proportion of their net output.

The slump in manufacturing investment has occurred in the last few years. But these have been years of rapid inflation and vastly increased government expenditure (to nearly 58 per cent of gross domestic product in 1974).

There can be no doubt that government profligacy has overwhelmed industry rather than that industry has failed the Government and public.

Yours faithfully,
PETER DYE
375 Downham Way,
Bromley, Kent.
June 26.

Too much legislation on rented accommodation

From Mr S. G. Lougee

Sir, With regard to Mr Widdowson's letter of June 25 about rented accommodation, I should like to make the following points.

Whilst it would be incorrect to argue that the Rent Act, 1974, has led to a direct increase in squatting, it must, nevertheless be accepted that the further shortage of rented accommodation, which has been brought about by this Act, has caused more families to be without accommodation and that this may well in turn have led on to an increase in squatting.

Mr Widdowson states that local authorities do not grant council tenants security of tenure and that tenants can be evicted at will. Although council rent arrears have now reached an unprecedented level, it would not appear that councils have chosen to exercise their right. But, without wishing to condone this failure to pay rent, it may be that local authorities are reluctant to take such action with good reason, since this would throw on to another department of the same authority the responsibility of housing those families at greatly increased cost.

Mr Widdowson then goes on to comment on the number of homeless families. A reasonable person must view with great concern the fact that any family is homeless, let alone the 30,000 referred to, but one does wonder how many of these families could be housed if legislation did not have such a stranglehold over the provision of rented accommodation.

So much legislation appears to restrict the action of one party or another, rather than to require that positive action be taken to rectify the situation.

Finally, Mr Widdowson shows his ignorance of the definition of a fair rent. The Rent Acts require that rents be assessed on the property itself, without taking into account the personal circumstances of the tenant or indeed the landlord. Surely it is for society to subsidise those in need, not individual landlords; this being one of the main aims of the much maligned Housing Finance Act, 1972.

With the greatest of respect to Shelter, one cannot help but wonder if it is Mr Widdowson, to quote his own words, "... who is living in cloud cuckoo-land".

Yours faithfully,
S. G. LOUGEE,
38 Harvard Court,
Honeybourne Road,
London, NW6.
June 26.

Levying tax on tax

From Mr G. C. Atkinson

Sir, While agreeing with Mr D. C. Jones's view (Letters, June 18) that to be charged VAT on a television rental which already includes an element of purchase tax is "monstrous", I must point out that it is by no means unique.

Surely it is not surprising that MPs have failed to raise Mr Jones's point when it is now becoming quite usual to levy tax on tax. Perhaps the most striking example of this is the sale of petrol, although new cars are similarly affected. The motorist buying a gallon at 73 pence is in fact only paying 35 pence for the product and service (including the produce countries' own tax), the remaining 37.1 pence being made up of United Kingdom Excise Duty and VAT.

VAT is applied after duty has been added, therefore the 73 pence is made up as follows:

35.9p Cost + 22.5p Duty = 58.4 + 25 per cent VAT = 73p.

If VAT was applied only to the cost of the product, the calculation would change to:

35.9p Cost + 25 per cent VAT = 44.87p + 22.5p Duty = 67.37p

It follows, therefore, that under the double taxation system motorists are paying about six pence more for a gallon of petrol than they should. Perhaps this should be borne in mind in the context of the ever increasing Retail Price Index. Is not at least part of the solution in the hands of Governments themselves?

How much further can tax on tax be taken? If it is considered fair and logical to levy VAT on petrol duty and car tax, how soon may we expect the formula for the calculation of income tax and local rates to be "X" in the pound—plus VAT?

Yours faithfully,
G. C. ATKINSON,
General Secretary,
Petroleum Retailers Association Ltd,
937a Brighton Road,
Purley,
Surrey.
June 18.

Silly bee

From Mr A. M. Pay

Sir, I should have thought that the bee, with its successful planned hive economy, would be the last symbol to be chosen for Free Enterprise week! Who wants to be a silly bee?

Yours faithfully,
A. M. PAY,
45 Bulwer Road,
Leytonstone, London, E11.

The Times Awards for the Best Advertisement of a Company's Results in 1975.

The decision to institute 'The Times Awards' proved fully justified in the event.

In 1974, we received nearly 200 entries and our judges found it a most difficult task to decide on the winners. We look forward to receiving a comparable number of entries during the coming year and only minor category changes for this year's scheme have been made. It has been decided to discontinue the colour category and introduce one for 'Interim Results or Preliminary Figures'.

The 1975 revised categories and conditions of entry are set out below.

The Awards will be made by an independent panel of expert judges.

An advertisement of a company's results whether the Chairman's statement is or is not included in full or in abridged form, should:

a) Attract the eye, by reason of its design.
b) Be easy to read, by the skilful use of typography.
c) Contain such information as prospective investors or professional advisers are likely to require, including details of the business carried on by the company.
d) Include such illustrations, graphs, or diagrams as are necessary to supplement (c) above.
e) Leave the reader with the impression that the company concerned would be a good one to do business with, or work for, or in which to invest.

The panel will judge the entries in terms of these criteria.

Note: In the case of the category 'Interim Results or Preliminary Figures' only criteria (a) to (d) will apply.

The Awards.

As in 1974, the Awards themselves will comprise:

a) The Grand Prix, to be held for one year, awarded to the entrant whose advertisement, in the opinion of the judges, is the best submitted, irrespective of category. The Grand Prix consists of a silver trophy, specially designed for The Times by Gordon Hodgson.

b) Prizes for category winners. The first prize in each category will be a working replica of The Times clock in silver. The second and third prizes will be silver medallions. Awards will be made both to the winning advertiser and his agent.

Conditions of Entry.

All entries are free but must have appeared in the pages of The Times Business News during 1975.

The following are the categories in which awards will be made:

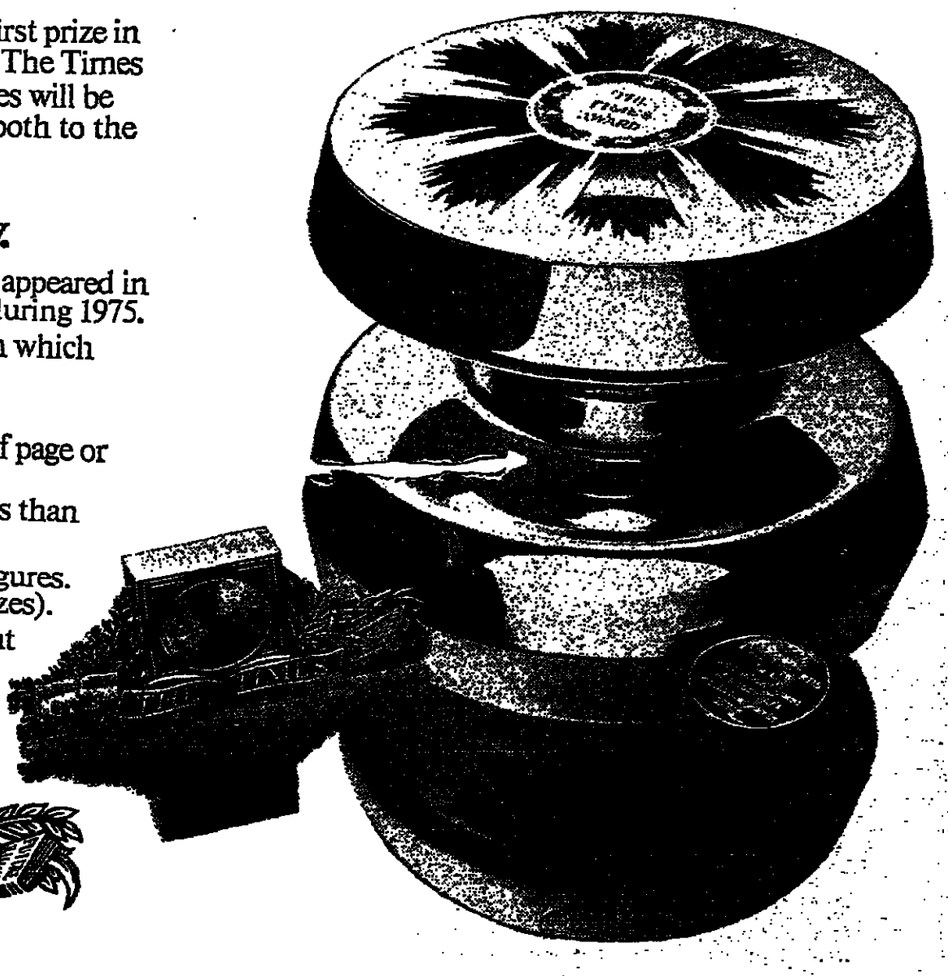
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   a) Colour or Black and White. Half page or larger, or equivalent.
   b) Colour or Black and White. Less than half page, or equivalent.
2. Interim Results or Preliminary Figures. Colour or Black and White. (All sizes).

Entries will be accepted throughout the twelve month period January 1–December 31, 1975 and should consist of a mounted art pull plus six unmounted art pulls for the panel of judges.

Entries should carry a clear indication of the category in which they are to be judged.

They should be sent to: Michael Mander, Advertisement and Marketing Director, The Times, New Printing House Square, Gray's Inn Road, London WC1X 8EZ. Telephone: 01-837 1234.

Presentation of the Awards will be made early in 1976.



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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Stock market will need to be convinced



Lord Pritchard, chairman of Rothmans International: Falling volume in Europe offset by UK exports.

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ere the United Kingdom bet divisions were the main brit, and, while the general lding *scenario appears just* gloomy, the group have ected a fairly drastic re- anization involving closure penses of £1.3m in the latest counts. The balance sheet, wever, contains some worry- g features. Bank and long- rm borrowings show a rise m £21.3m to just under £40m, ich, if one adds on the esti- ated £13m the group will need finance its United State-Ajax quisition, gearing on share- lders funds rises to around per cent, against around a rter of the end of 1973. But pressures on working ital, up by £14m last year uld ease in the wake of er commodity price levels, recovery in the United gdom interests will mean *ter more to shareholders* n the group's advance cor- ation tax problems and the e jump in minorities after ation of some of the Far

Rothmans

A yield prop

Some comfort can be gained from Rothmans International's preliminary statement in that the dividend has been maintained on an annualized basis on prospects of a recovery in profits in the current year. *But at this stage it would be* too sanguine to look for a restoration to the annualized 1973-74 pre-tax total of £37m, *against £21.4m last year.* Something under £30m would seem nearer the mark.

Falling volume in Europe and particularly in Germany accounted for a fair proportion of the 1974-75 damage with the position exacerbated by price controls in the face of rising costs.

In the United Kingdom, *profits were too low to cover* interest payments on the DM/ Sterling bonds while interest charges, unstated, must have risen given higher working capital requirements to finance duty increases. And labour difficulties in Ulster can scarcely have helped. The overall picture was one of trading down by the consumer from the large cigarette, with the only offset being higher exports.

At 21p, Rothmans now offers an 11 per cent yield. That alone argues for holding the shares rather than say, switching into Imperial Group, or even out *of the sector altogether.*

Final: 1974-75 (1973-74)*
Capitalization £33.0m
Sales £1,016m (£686m)
Pre-tax profits £21.4m (£27.2m)
Earnings per share 3.8p (4.4p)
Dividend gross 2.32p (1.75p)
* *Nine months*

Tate & Lyle

Broadening the capital base

As a feature of Tate & Lyle's balance sheet, high gearing has *been conspicuous* by its absence. And the strength of the financial position has tended to be understated by the group's idiosyncratic method of stock valuation. So nothing too serious should be read into the board's desire that the capital base of the company should be enlarged.

Granted, there are wide seasonal fluctuations in group borrowings, which look to have been accentuated at the moment by its customers' continuing destocking on sugar: hence, to a large degree, the doubling of short-term borrowings to £59.6m in the 8½ months to mid-June. But if the cash will come in handy in the short-term to ease the working capital requirement, the exercise should be seen principally in the light of an investment programme which Tate & Lyle has not merely maintained but expanded.

A lot of that, however, related to the three ships presently being built and likely to be delivered next year. And quite apart from the potential drag on performance which they represent, the group is all but certain to see profitability coming back in its next 1975/76 accounting period, with recession hitting the big storage, trading and distribution business.

Whether shareholders should be doing much heart burning over this is another matter. The dividend was very well covered last year, and even on the forecast 12½ per cent increase is likely to be even better covered in the current year to end September, with profits pushed ahead by a first half performance exactly in line with that for the preceding six months and over 50 per cent ahead of that for the corresponding period. There should be *enough to spare to see Tate* through a lean year following that before the benefits of its North American spending begin *to work through. Meantime,* the 7.25 per cent yield on the ordinary at 228p should provide them with adequate support, while the rights, with the prospective yield at 9.7 per cent, are unlikely to be left in the hands of the underwriters.

S and C

Year end provisions

Standard & Chartered has now joined the rest of the banking sector in making additional above-the-line provisions for its latest year—the additional provision against advances totalling a relatively modest £6m and that for pensions £10.7m But adding these back points to a firm enough underlying trend *in the second half, with a pre*tax figure of just over £45m against £42.7m for the preceding six months and £38.6m for the corresponding period of the previous year.

Overall, the tax charge has moved up some three points to just under 51 per cent and, with minorities up from £4.2m to £5.5m earnings are down *some 15 per cent at 49.3p a* share—producing a p/e of 9½ with the shares at 465p, down 15p against the market trend yesterday.

Stripping out the provisions drops the pe to under 7—the yield on the increased dividend is 4.3 per cent—but the more important point is that retentions last year of £17m can scarcely add up to much strengthening of the capital base in a period of high, if slowing, international inflation. But then S & C appeared to be none too perturbed by its 16:1 deposit to capital ratio—already some way above the *average ratio for United King*dom clearers—at the end of the previous year.

Final: 1974-75 (1973-74)
Capitalization £279m
Pre-tax profits £71.1m (£69.8m)
Earnings per share 49.3p (58.5p)
Dividend gross 20.17p (17.93p)

The money supply—more meaningful than interest rates as a policy goal

There is a cynical view that the sole objective of central banks is to minimize criticism. That may be true in most countries, but if it is true in Britain the Bank of England has failed lamentably in recent years. Few institutions have been attacked so frequently or so strongly.

The official memoirs industry will no doubt thrive in the 1980s and 1990s on disclosures about the conduct of monetary policy during the "Barber boom" of 1972 and 1973 when money supply exploded upwards by 25 per cent a year. The question "how could it have happened?" has now been asked with such frequency that it is almost an opening gambit of conversations between economists. It is a method of recognizing like-minded people.

There may now be unanimity that the rates of monetary expansion found in 1972 and 1973 must never be repeated. But has the Bank of England mended its ways? Has it learnt lessons of permanent value from that unhappy experience?

It will be argued here that the Bank has been forced by the pressure of events to modify its techniques of control and that, as long as there is no *back-sliding for reasons of* political expediency, the traumas of 1972 and 1973 have had a beneficial effect by exposing *the errors contained in some* ancient and highly durable banking prejudices.

A new style of monetary *policy has gradually developed* which is superior to its predecessor and may result in big improvements in stabilization policy in future.

But, before presenting this argument, it is important to note two basic and fundamental truths. They are not controversial, but they tend to be forgotten in the heat of debate.

The first is that the Bank of England's main function is to oversee and manage the Government's finances. It has to ensure that, if the Government is spending more than it is receiving in taxation, the deficit is covered by borrowing from other agents in the economic system.

The second truth is that it is impossible to have inconsistent money supply and interest rate targets. A particular money supply policy involves certain *interest rate behaviour.* Similarly, a particular interest rate policy involves certain money supply behaviour.

For example, the Bank of England cannot clamp down on money supply growth and hope that interest rates will not rise. If the financial system finds that because of official policy it does not have sufficient liquidity to *meet the demands placed on it* by trade and industry it must raise interest rates to hold back that demand. The Bank of England can stop this normal commercial response, but only by artificial restrictions on lending and other controls which distort financial markets and discourage competition.

This interaction between *interest rate and money supply* policy suggests alternative styles of monetary control. One approach, which might be described as the "new style", is to emphasize the money supply as the vital target variable.

This approach is found in the United States and West Germany, where the central banks *announce in advance a target* for money supply growth. Although mindful of interest rate movements they do not allow the enormity of the government's borrowing needs to frighten them from large bond sales if necessary.

One part of the justification for this policy is that, if interest rates go up, industrial demand for loans will be choked off and there will be sufficient room in the economy for overspending by the government not to cause excess demand. The other is that it holds back the growth of private sector liquidity directly and thereby discourages a spending spree based on newly printed notes or bank deposits boosted by receipts from public sector bodies.

The "old style" accords primacy, instead, to interest rate targets and treats money supply behaviour as incidental. The emphasis on interest rates is a by-product of beliefs about the functions of a central bank which have been held by Bank of England officials for generations.

Maintaining interest rate stability is equivalent to maintaining the market value of gilt-edged securities at a constant level. But gilts are the key to asset values generally. If they are steady, equities and property should be steady, too.

This has important implications for the soundness of the financial system. As long as asset values are not rushing *wildly upwards or downwards*

Tim Congdon discusses monetary strategy against the background of yesterday's anti-inflation statement

there is little danger of several *financial institutions becoming* over-extended through imprudent loan policies. In other words, interest rate stability is a *way of ensuring the coherence* and integrity of the entire credit structure.

But "old style" central bankers did, on occasion, contemplate interest rate changes. A run on the pound might force *an increase in Bank rate to* check speculation and to preserve the exchange rate in relation to other currencies. This attitude gave sterling higher priority than the maintenance of asset values.

A rational justification for the worship of sterling might be found in the role of a fixed exchange rate in forcing a country to adopt responsible demand management policies and therefore avoid inflation. However, in practice, sterling was more typically seen as the ultimate arbiter of foreign "confidence" in Britain and as an essential component of national prestige. It still has this status in market gossip.

This sanctification of sterling is regarded by "new style" supporters as little better than a superstition. To them, interest rates are principally devices for *guiding the demand and supply* for credit in domestic financial markets. They may have a subsidiary function in influencing international capital flows, but the exchange rate should be governed, first and foremost, by demand and supply in the foreign exchange markets. If pressure builds up the right response is to drop the exchange rate until it is realistic.

Has the "old style" fallen into disrepute? And, if so, why?

The crucial flaw in the "old style" was exposed in 1972 and 1973. The floating of sterling in June, 1972, weakened the external constraint on monetary policy and enabled the Bank of England to pursue its traditional policy of interest rate stability more or less without regard to the state of the pound. At the same time, the Government began to run a huge financial deficit on a scale quite unprecedented in peacetime.

This coincidence of a large public sector borrowing requirement and a new interest rate permissiveness set the scene for an explosive growth in the money supply. The Bank of England seemed bewildered at the rapid rate of increase and attributed it to, among other things, an institutional adjustment in the wake of Competition and Credit Control.

Such arguments became academic in late 1973. The combination of lax monetary and fiscal policies resulted in a colossal balance of payments deficit and the Bank realized, after a particularly bad set of figures in December, 1973, that the old medicine, a 2 per cent jump in minimum lending rate (a neologism for Bank rate), had to be applied. High interest rates ruled for another year and the result, as the "old style" had always insisted would happen, was a dramatic collapse of asset values and serious strains in London financial markets.

But the troubles were inevitable. A financial crisis could not have been avoided without allowing a take-off into hyper-inflation.

Interest rate stability is a sensible policy if the price level generally is also stable and if governments balance budgets. (The Bank's fixation with interest rates does, in fact, date from the late nineteenth century when both these conditions were satisfied.) But, to put it no more strongly, it is a quite inappropriate policy once the inflationary process is under way.

Interest rate stability then is not even a recipe for keeping asset values steady, because inflation causes a re-assessment *of the attractiveness of* different assets. If gilts are artificially supported this must involve the Bank of England in financing a runaway speculative boom inflation-proofed assets such as property.

In present conditions a money supply target is plainly much more sensible. It should be related to prevailing expecta*tions of inflation, being set a* few percentage points beneath the going rate of price increases. In due course this *should bring inflation down* without disturbing financial markets more than necessary.

Similarly, using interest rates to buttress a particular exchange rate, whatever its symbolic appeal, is folly when *inflation rates in Britain are* out of line with those abroad. The adjustment should instead take place through a downward *float. The increase in interest* rates required would probably destroy several soundly-based financial institutions and have subsequent needlessly severe effects on employment and output.

The pressure of events over the last four years has, therefore, prompted a reappraisal of methods of control by the Bank of England. A "new style" has emerged, not so much because intellectual arguments convinced policy-makers *of its virtues, as because the* disarray created by the alternative "old style" obliged the authorities to adopt new policy objectives.

However, the conversion will be complete only when the Bank of England acknowledges money supply targets in the same way as the West German Federal Bank and the United States Federal Reserve. The willingness of Bank economists to quibble with "monetarism" should also give way to a more *open recognition of the in*adequacy of interest rates as target variables in present conditions.

British Shoe takes a brisk step towards Europe

British Shoe Corporation, which still contributes rather more than half the trading profits of Sir Charles Clore's Sears Holdings empire, has a line in corporate realism that could produce interesting new forays into Europe.

*Irving Harrison, BSC's manag*ing director—formerly with British Home Stores and a retailing man of long experience —said, for instance: "We don't give a damn about dumming. You can get better fashion abroad—better quality, as from Italy. It can be cheaper abroad. You can even get quicker delivery."

If that sort of straight talking *makes United Kingdom* footwear producers wince as they campaign for government action against cheap foreign imports, they have to admit that BSC should know, if anybody does, what the retailing facts of life are as far as selling footwear in the High Streets is concerned.

When the Clore eyes fell on Freeman, Hardy and Willis back *in 1953 what they saw was a* property prospect. Freemans, with 530 shops up and down the country, has a lot of prime *sites and in itself is twice as* big as any other chain in Europe.

Mass retailing policy

Mr Harrison observed that the Freeman shops were simply used as "dustbins" for output from the company's factories. Within two years a new policy was on the way—Mr Harrison was appointed in 1955—to produce a fashion multiple operating on a mass retailing, quick turnover basis. It was capital-intensive instead of factory and labour-oriented.

Eventually, names like Manfield, Dolcis, Trueform, Lilley and Skinner and Saxone were in the growing empire. BSC now has 20 per cent of the United Kingdom retail market, *with eight main factories con*tributing some 20 per cent of total BSC sales.

Expansion by acquisition is now out in the United Kingdom, in the wake of the Monopolies Commission reference which ended the Clore bid for the William Timpson shoe chain. Natural growth could be 1 or 2 per cent a year at best.

This is why BSC has already turned its attention to Europe. In 1973 the second largest shop chain in Holland, now *with 130 outlets, was taken over.* The way it has been shaped to the BSC retailing formula indicates how the British management, in their 33-acre warehousing and headquarters centre on the outskirts of Leicester, are likely to tackle the next targets—probably France first and then Western Germany.

Minimum interference

BSC has dealt with Holland in management terms rather as the Sears Holdings board deals with BSC. "We get precious little interference. It's a case of 'Get on with the job and pro*duce the results'", Mr Harrison* said.

"If we need several million for a project all we have to do is ask. All "CC" wants to know is whether we think it will work".

Sir Charles, nevertheless, visits the Leicester plant regularly—there are several flats above the main offices, which are also used by BSC board members coming in regularly from running their own part of the empire. But he comes less



Sir Charles Clore, chairman of Sears Holdings: letting BSC get on with the job.

since the Sears interests *expanded.*

In Holland the BSC board does let the Dutch management get on with the job. "They know *the Dutch market and we don't.* I think this is where some British ventures into European retailing have gone astray, by trying to export too much of the British way of doing a particular thing", Mr Harrison said.

What BSC can export is its mass retailing method. It is an impressive operation, although BSC has never been particularly enthusiastic to show it off.

"I know we're sometimes criticized for being a bit intro*verted", Mr Harrison said.* "What we concentrate on is our relationships with our customers and keeping everything up to *scratch, run on the right, tight* lines".

Measurable results

This nitty-gritty approach to commercial life has produced quantifiable results. Most of BSC's 2,000 shops are now laid *out on the open-store principle,* with customers serving themselves from observable displays. The traditional walls lined with shoe boxes have been banished and staff have been retrained to act mainly as advisers rather than going for the hard sell.

Serving time has been cut by between 60 per cent and 70 per cent, this in turn reducing *staffing needs.*

BSC's major achievement has been its stock control. Every item of merchandise in every store carries a computer card, which, after sale, goes to the Leicester headquarters.

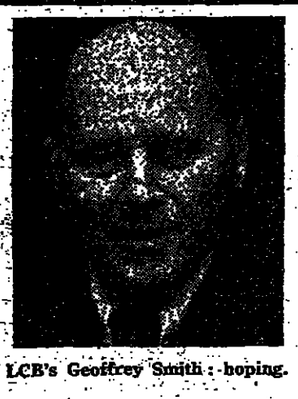
After the shops close on Saturdays the cards are picked up by a security company, the Leicester computer works out *stock replacement needs*—including special ones such as boosting supplies to holiday towns in season—and the highly automated warehouse, the biggest of its kind in Europe, has replacements waiting outside all major outlets as the doors open on Monday morning.

Some bigger stores get deliveries up to five days a week. The system also sorts out the problem of stock lying idle too long in one shop when the same merchandise could be selling better in another area. A million computer cards are processed each week.

A warehousing operation on similar principles has been set up for the Dutch operation—in Belgium. However, intensive *retailing operations in Belgium* by most other countries in the EEC has kept BSC cool so far about what might be thought a logical move into the Belgian market.

Derek Harris

Business Diary: Convention hall lobby • Soames stance



LCB's Geoffrey Smith: hoping.

tonth late—because of ker- les on the contentious rgy Bill—the Ways and ns Committee of the United es Congress is expected in next day or two to reach a sion over a measure that d mean £10m worth of lost ness to London's hotels and ention halls.

ie London Convention ian, *part of the London* rist Board, has been master- ling some long-distance ying over Bill 1040, which d stop Americans from set- against tax the cost of ading conventions overseas. B's director Geoffrey Smith ons there is a fifty-fifty ce of stopping the Bill and been encouraged by the vention of the American ty of Association Execu- , representing some 5,000 ciations of one sort or ier. *The ASAE is suggesting* point programme for self- ing which it hopes will ade the committee that the s no longer necessary.

uith, who, if the Bill does rough will urge Britain as cial case for exemption on basis of two-way traffic, is while hoping for conven- business from Europe to up *in the wake of sterling's* luation.

tistics out of Brussels show lon picked up 21 per cent of international conven- last year, although that sents only a small part of apital's convention business e moment. "There is prob- our best chance here at th and a big promotional aign is getting under way" h said.

ris, according to the same es, put up an increase of 37 per cent, which probably underlines London's still unsatisfied need for a 5,000-capacity modern convention facility. *Illtyd Harrington, deputy leader* of the Greater London Council is still a strong advocate of a multi-purpose centre situated in Central London.

European union

The European Commission's general enthusiasm for greater European integration is apparently not shared by Sir Christopher Soames, its senior British member.

On the day that the Commission published its ambitious ideas for a future European union in Brussels, Sir Christopher was pooh-poohing any such venture in London. "I do not believe that the 68 per cent of the voters in the recent British referendum who chose so positively were voting for some idealistic blue-print of the *European Community", he told* a lunchtime meeting of the Oil Industries Club.

The commission's 68-page report on European union gives the distinct impression, with its call for an independent European government and a bicameral directly elected legislature, of being an "idealistic blueprint" for the future shape of the Community.

In this context Sir Christopher's attitude is closer to that of the British Government than *to most of his colleagues in the* Commission. Jim Callaghan made it clear last week that he regarded the Community's *stated goal of an economic and* monetary union as largely hypothetical.

Cook's speciality

Billings Chan, of Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation's London office, was flexing his gastronomic wits in the City yesterday on behalf of a group which included David McWilliam, of Thos Cook & Son, and Donald Jones, of the colony's London tourist office.

Chan had bespoken a menu that included shark's fin and crabmeat soup, crisp duck and *vegetables in oyster sauce* at the City Friends, a Cantonese restaurant popular with the City's Chinese and Japanese denizens. He, McWilliam, and Jones were commemorating the appearance from today of the likeness of *The* Thomas Cook on the first travellers' cheques to be issued in Hongkong dollars. The cheques are a cooperation between the travel agent, which wants to expand into this business in the East, and the bank, which *wants to be better known in* the West.

Cook, incidentally, always looks slightly bilious as represented on the travel agency's paper—as if he had picked up some bug on one of his annual world tours. He first visited the Crown Colony in 1872. There was a mix-up over the timetable, and he wrote to *The Times* saying: "We had to content ourselves with another edition of English life."

The Crown Colony does not have a central bank, although the Hongkong and Shanghai acts as the government's principal bankers and issues most *of its banknotes. The new tra*vellers' cheques will apparently be acceptable in the Republic of China.

Cooks have an eye on the Japanese market. Tourism is Hongkong's biggest earner of foreign currency after textiles and one in four of business and holiday arrivals is Japanese.

The Japanese, however, prefer to carry about wads of yen when they are travelling. It is thought that only about 14 per cent of them carry travellers' cheques, compared with about three-quarters of British tourists. But only the other day an Iranian tourist was relieved of about £8,000 by a London pickpocket.

journalism to achieve top rank in the Civil Service. Who says the market has no room for sentiment?

It may only be coincidence (with a little help from Denis Healey) but yesterday's highest-ever rise in the FT index couldn't have come at a better time. It came on the 40th anniversary of the setting up of the 30-share index, devised by the late Sir Richard Clarke, who went on from financial

Costa crisis

The decade of dizzying boom that spawned such undesirable items as the urban jumble of Torremolinos and the Sofico holiday apartments affair is gone forever, according to the mayors of Spain's Costa del Sol.

Juan García Soto, mayor of Benalmadena, said at a news conference in Fuengirola: "Probably, no hotel on the coast is currently earning a profit of more than 1 per cent. The crisis will be over in a few years, but the profit rate will probably never go higher than 8 per cent, whereas once it was as high as 22 per cent."

The recent collapse of Spain's biggest company in the construction, sale and management of tourist property, Sofico, was *actually a boon to hotel opera*tors on the Costa del Sol, he said, because Sofico had been offering certain tourist services at less than cost as a come-on for prospective purchasers of holiday flats.

He said hotels had been unable to match Sofico's prices for such services as meals and excursions.

The mayors of four of the tourist resorts along the coast also discussed such questions as urban planning and a Government proposal to build a new toll road along the coast. It was generally admitted that the hodge-podge which the former fishing village of Torremolinos turned into stands as an example of what should not be done in the future.

GEI INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

New Records New Capital for Expansion

Specialist engineering group

		1975	1974
Turnover	up 37%	£29,599,125	£21,609,538
Pre-Tax Profit	up 38.6%	£2,303,705	£1,662,105
Earnings per share	up 45.3%	9.3p	6.4p
Total Dividends:	net	3.114p	2.86125p
	gross	4.7364p	4.2p

Salient points from the Review of the Chairman, Mr. Thomas Kenny, FCA, for the year ended 31st March, 1975:

- Sales are 37% ahead of a year ago and the profit increase is 38.6%. In the five years since September 1969 pre-tax profit has increased almost fourfold.
- Direct exports at £3m. are almost double those of the previous year and new markets were opened up. A large part of our sales, perhaps 40%, is exported by our customers.
- The financial position at March 1975 was particularly strong. Net cash balances have improved from £600,000 to £1.8m.
- We have invested £5m. in capital projects within the last five years, including £1m. in the current financial year.
- We are in the process of raising approximately £1.5m. by means of a 2-for-7 Rights issue at 38p to develop the product companies and expand our European interests during the current recession. (Last day for acceptance 11th July, 1975.)
- We started this financial year with reasonably good order books, especially in the product companies. One cannot be certain of the outcome for the year to March 1976 but the directors are confident that the profit will be satisfactory and that the rate of dividend will be maintained on the capital as increased by the rights issue.

GEI

Copies of the report and accounts are available from the Secretary, GEI International Limited, West Street, Dunstable, Bedfordshire, LU6 1TA.

Standard and Chartered
BANKING GROUP LIMITED

The Directors announce the results of the Standard and Chartered Banking Group for the year to 31st March, 1975, as follows:—

	£000	£000	1974 £000	£000
Trading Profit of the Group before special items (Notes 1 & 2)		82,863		64,353
Special Items:				
Additional provision against advances	6,000			
Additional provision for pensions	10,701	16,701		—
		66,162		64,353
Share of Associated Companies' Profits		4,984		5,437
Profit before taxation and extraordinary items		71,146		69,790
Taxation.				
United Kingdom less double taxation relief	7,667		10,468	
Overseas	28,350	36,017	22,719	33,187
		35,129		36,603
Minority Interests		5,472		4,187
Net Profit before extraordinary items		29,657		32,416
Extraordinary items less taxation and minority interests (Note 3)		4,628		13,754
Net Profit after extraordinary items		25,029		18,662
Dividends		7,989		7,362
Retained		17,040		11,300
Earnings per share (Note 4)		49.3p		58.5p

NOTES

1. The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those applied in previous years and include a charge for bad and doubtful debts made in arriving at trading profit which is based upon average experience for the current and four preceding years. When the resultant provision differs from the amount considered adequate the shortfall or excess is charged or credited to Profit and Loss Account as a special item.

2. Group trading profits include those of The Hodge Group Limited for the year ended 28th February 1975 and of The Chartered Bank and Standard Bank Sierra Leone Limited for the year ended 31st December, 1974.

3. Extraordinary items, which include certain items formerly dealt with in reserves, comprise:

	1974
Excess of cost over the book values of net tangible assets of subsidiaries acquired during the year	£4,445,000	£15,933,000
Net losses (profits) on sales of properties, subsidiaries and trade investments and sundry items	£ 183,000	(£ 2,179,000)
	£4,628,000	£13,754,000

4. Earnings per share are based upon issued share capital of £60,096,000 and profits of £29,657,000 arrived at after deducting special provisions of £16,701,000 (pre-tax) but before extraordinary items.
(1974 weighted average share capital £55,411,000 and profits £32,416,000.)

DIVIDEND

The Directors have resolved to recommend to shareholders at the Annual General Meeting to be held on 12th August 1975 the payment of a final dividend of 7.0445 pence per share to shareholders on the Register of Members at the close of business on 18th July 1975, which, together with the interim dividend paid in January, will make a total for the year of 13.2945 pence per share (1974 12.25 pence). Including imputed tax the total for the year is 20.166 pence per share (1974 17.925 pence) and is the maximum permitted under Counter Inflation Regulations.

E. HAMPDEN SMITH, L. R. BISHOP
Joint Secretaries

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

Powerful upsurge in share prices

The stock market forged ahead yesterday as the City anticipated the announcement of the Government's anti-inflation package.

The advance was muted at first, but both gilts and equities turned sharply ahead at mid-morning when sterling managed its first significant recovery from several weeks of punishment.

The equity market was already 19 points up on the *FT* scale before the Chancellor rose to address the House of Commons. Turnover was not heavy but the bears rushed in to buy stock as share prices moved upwards.

Mr Healey's speech was followed by further gains of 5p or so in major industrials, and by smaller rises in the food and consumer stocks.

The *FT* index celebrated its 40th anniversary with a record one-day gain of 23.7 points, bringing it to 315.5. Recorded bargains, however, totalled a mere 5,812.

The rebound in share prices, which confirmed predictions that the institutions did not expect the market to fall any further, inspired gains in almost all sectors—even the much battered store and building share areas.

But the pension funds and other big investors were not rushing to buy yesterday. That was left to the market men who needed shares to meet previous selling bargains. Today could well see some profit-taking, although few expect the market to resume its downward trend.

After being marked down at the opening on the weakness of sterling and press suggestions that the Government does not intend to cut public spending, gilts recovered in the morning and received a fresh tonic from the Chancellor's statement in the afternoon. Most stocks showed good rises on the day.

"Shorts" opened ¼ point lower. But there was no selling and all of this loss had been recovered by lunchtime. Rises eventually ranged up to ½ point. Dealers said that they were fairly busy, but turnover was not as high as might have been expected on the news background.

"Longs" also were busy, but dealers referred more to the high level of inquiries than to actual buying. Most stocks were ¼ point up on the day. The coupon rate on the "yearling" issue was 12 per cent.

Leading industrials surged ahead during the day, as the market took the view that these shares have been oversold. **Glaxo Hlds**, depressed by the rights issue shares as well as by recent market trends, put on 19p to (339p). **Fisons** were 30p up at 380p, while **ICI** closed at 264p, a net 13p higher. **Courtaulds** (127p), **Beecham** (280p) and **Unilever** (382p) were other major exporters to turn sharply higher. But only 5p or so of these gains were scored after the Chancellor had begun to speak.

The engineering share sector also staged a strong recovery after days of persistent losses. With stock still short, the bears were squeezed by the jobbers who have been unwilling to carry much stock on their books while awaiting the Chancellor's statement.

Metal Box, rallied to 245p initially, dipped to 237p and closed a net 24p up at 242p. **GKN** (240p) and **Tube Investments** (256p) chalked up rises of 28p and 24p respectively. **Pilkington Brothers**(200p) was another recent sufferer to respond sharply to bear closing.

Also wanted were shares in **GEC** (123p) ahead of trading results, which are expected tomorrow, and **EMI. Reed International** (224p) strengthened after the annual report had brought favourable comment in the investment press. **Bowater** (141p) also restored some of the ground lost since the rights issue announcement.

There was a significant upturn in consumer shares, which held firm after Mr Healey had confirmed market hopes that there would be no ruthless clamp down on prices and margins.

Marks & Spencer surged forward to close a net 13p higher at 199p, **British Home Stores**, 17p up at 302p also benefited strongly from a rush to close bear positions.

Among the best performances was **United Drapery Stores**, whose shares added 5p to 87p. On the food share sector, **Tesco Holdings** stood out at 43p.

Another sector to respond favourably was the building and construction share pitch. With fears of savage cuts in public spending disproved by the Chancellor's statement, there were gains for **Taylor Woodrow**, 13p higher at 273p, for **R. Costain** 190p and **Wimpey**.

Almost overshadowed at first was **Tate & Lyle**, whose £18.5m rights issue took the shares down to 218p, before the late upsurge lifted them to 228p, a net 3p lower on the day.

An increased dividend from Marshalls (Halifax) has raised thoughts of a re-rating of the shares, which are now returning a generous dividend yield.

Features among the second-liners were almost lost in the general rise yesterday. **National Carbonising** rose to 50p as investors continued to respond to the disclosure that the Ninian field is to be upgraded.

J. Lyons, already 12p up after publication of the annual report, achieved a further rise in late dealings.

But shares in **AD International** turned down as the market grew cautious while awaiting the outcome of the board meeting, from which news is expected on the Dentsply bid.

Financial issues joined in the general recovery in equities. Banks threw off the fears of rights issues which have depressed them this week. **Barclays** (275p) and **Lloyds** (275p) added 20p apiece, and **Natwest** (225p) closed strongly.

Insurance shares were also firm, but properties, although higher on the day, had a relatively quiet session.

Equity turnover on Monday totalled £58.3m (15,789 bargains). Active stocks yesterday according to Exchange Telegraph, ICI, Glaxo new, Bowater new, GKN, Shell, National Westminster Bank, Distillers, Bats, Commercial Union and Reed International.

Shares in Renold, Manchester-based manufacturer of power transmissions and machinery, were nervous at 144p ahead of today's results for the trading year.

Latest dividends

Company (and par values)	Ord div	Year ago	Pay date	Year's total	Prev year
Bond St Fabrics (10p) Int	0.75	—	—	—	1.7
Carclo Eng (25p) Fin	1.12	1.02	29/8	2.25	2.07
Lon Weekend TV (£1) Int	10.0	10.05	30/6	—	14.77
Morgan-Grampian (25p) Fin	1.22	1.14	18/8	2.18	2.01
McMullen & Sons (25p) Int	1.25	0.95	1/8	—	—
J. T. Parrish (25p)	3.83§	3.51	—	3.83§	3.51
Rothmans Int (12½p) Fin	0.98†	0.6	11/9	1.52†	1.14
Stand & Chart Bkg (£1) Fin	7.04	6.65	—	13.29	12.25
Tex Abrasives (10p) Fin	2.05	1.96	15/9	2.7	2.48
W. A. Tyzack (10p) Int	1.23	1.16	5/8	1.72	1.58
Winterbottom Tst (25p) Int	1.57	1.57	15/8	—	3.32
Zinc Alloy (5p) Fin	0.43	0.2	21/8	0.61	0.37

Dividends in this table are shown net of tax in pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross, multiply the net dividend by 1.54. § For 49 weeks. † For 9 months.

Slater, Walker sets up as major force to back private firms

Slater, Walker Securities is to form a new subsidiary, Slater Walker Developments, which will have funds available for equity participation in established private companies. Initially £1m has been earmarked for investment.

The SW group has been actively involved in the private company sector for many years. Slater Walker Developments will concentrate on expanding group investment in that area, and will be able to help companies requiring medium-term finance —five year money will be available—but not having access to the capital markets.

A Slater spokesman said the new subsidiary would work closely with the group's management and advisory services division. Taking the longer view, the aim would be to bring some of the companies to the stock market, he added.

Extel recovery is under way

After better trading in the first two months of the current year, to next March, Exchange Telegraph is set for a rise in profits over 1974-75 when the pre-tax total slumped from £1.81m to £984,000.

In his chairman's statement, Mr John Harvey says that the past year's difficulties were largely in the printing division where Burrup, Mathieson saw its profits slide from £624,000 to £166,000 due to the collapse of the stock market and the drying up of both new issue and takeover activity. Since the recovery, BM has done extremely well.

Sporting and financial services will benefit from higher subscription rates introduced yesterday which should go some way towards restoring the set-back from £652,000 to £404,000 last time, while the Robophone acquisition could turn in perhaps £200,000.

Thos Poole scrip and payout recovery

Shareholders of Thomas Poole and Gladstone China were promised a scrip issue and an early "dividend recovery" by the chairman, Mr Alan Bartlett, at yesterday's annual meeting.

The chairman said these steps would follow the planned sale of quoted and unquoted investments to *Newman Industries*. He added: "In future we expect to maintain a dividend record which shareholders will find both encouraging and interesting."

Referring to the reasons for the projected sale of TPG investments to Newman Industries the chairman said: "Newman Industries have the resources to develop the portfolio that TPG created.

"By transferring our investments to Newman Industries we will retain a direct interest", he explained. He told the meeting that Thomas Poole and Gladstone had given an undertaking to the stock exchange to develop a "second arm" of the company. Discussions were now in progress to establish the vehicle for this new investment.

Thorn document aims to reassure

The long-awaited formal offer document from Thorn Electrical Industries for Sheffield Twist Drill and Steel has now been sent out.

Apart from repeating its increased bid terms of 91p cash, compared with 77½p from the Swedish SKF group, Thorn gives its reasons for making the bid. It argues that its own machine tool operations and those of Sheffield would benefit from a joint development programme.

Assurances are given to the staff and management of Sheffield that Thorn would safeguard their interests. There would be no redundancies.

Patent Ind loss

Patent Industrial Group's hopes of continuing profits have proved short lived. It ended 1974 with a pre-tax loss of £127,000 against a loss of £23,000 the year before. The group is now concentrating on becoming a group of small engineering companies. Production at Capacitators has been phased out, and as known the sale of Birmingham Associated Chain has resulted in a profit of £45,000 and a £214,000 cut in borrowings.

Brown Boveri Kent

The new capital subscribed by Brown Boveri under the recent deal did not benefit the George Kent group until after December 31. Decisions taken by the board of Brown Boveri Kent had no significant effect on the results for the year to March 29. These show turnover up from £44.2m to £45.3m and pre-tax profits of £955,000 against a loss of £104,000, and are effectively the net operating profits of George Kent itself. There is again no dividend. The comparative fig include the former scien and medical subsidiary w was sold with effect from 1, 1974.

Eastern produce capital needs

Mr Oliver Jessel, the c man of Eastern Produc which Jessel Securities has per cent stake, says that t pair the ravages of the r investment crisis further & may be required. Meanwhi says the group continue trade at a satisfactory p All the group's overseas i ments and earnings are in ing in sterling value due t fall in the pound. The from Angola is showing sli improvement and the hope to report good figur 1975.

Ceylon tea takeover

For an undisclosed pri Government of Ceylon bought three tea e covering 1,195 hectares b ing to Galaha Ceylon Estates in which Brooke Liebig has a cont interest. Back in May said it had decided to se estates and the governme taken these over from J Shareholders will be n in due course when the tiations are complete.

Weston-Evans peal

In the year to March 3 sales of Weston-Evans ings) rose from £7.3m to and pre-tax profits £788,000 to a record £8 The dividend rises fron gross to 3.47p. But order so far this year are lowe the outlook is "somewh couraging".

Hellenic rebuff

The Court has refus sanction the scheme of ar ment by Hellenic & G Trust involving the cance of its ordinary share in consideration for th ment of 48p a share in The board says the scher opposed by one holder of 14 per cent of the equit scheme will not now b effective and a letter t effect will be sent to holders as soon as possi

JAMES HALSTEAD

Chairman sees current and long-term outlook as

Strong local support for Radio Trent debut

Radio Trent, which is due to start broadcasting tomorrow, is the thirteenth company to join the local commercial radio network. Unlike Beacon Broadcasting in Wolverhampton which found difficulty in attracting funds from local investors, Trent has a wide spread of shareholders from the locality. The maximum proportion held by any single concern, however, is 12 per cent.

Among the biggest stakeholders are the *Nottingham Evening Post*; Nottingham Co-operative Society; Transport and General Workers' Union and the Shop, Distributive and Allied Workers.

Executives at the station are optimistic about its advertising sales prospects. According to Mr Dennis Maitland, the station advertisement manager, sales are already between 15 and 20 per cent of target (which is to break even in the first year). To achieve this the station needs to sell between 40 and 45 per cent of its air time.

Trent's debut leaves six stations still to join the local commercial radio network. There are no fixed dates yet, but next to appear are expected to be those serving the Bradford and Ipswich areas.

Magazine advertising revenue in the United States remained virtually static during the first four months of 1975 compared with the previous year.

Advertising & marketing

A report from Mr Robert Gardner, vice-president of the Publishers Information Bureau in New York, said that revenue was within less than 1 per cent of that achieved in the equivalent 1974 period.

Commenting on figures from PIB members, Mr Gardner said revenues for the period this year totalled $416.9m, a decline of $448,385 on 1974. Advertising pages totalled 25,382—8 per cent down on 1974.

Mr Gardner, who is also vice-president, member services of the Magazine Publishers Association, said that for April revenues totalled $119.3m, down 6 per cent. Pages for the month were 7,052, down by 12 per cent from April, 1974.

Equivalent figures are not published by the United Kingdom magazine publishers. But the latest figures issued by Media Expenditure Analysis, taking rate card prices, are that British magazines' gross revenue was up by nearly 11 per cent to £8.1m in May compared with the 1974 month.

Patricia Tisdall

Business appointments

Mr Robson to be a deputy chairman at Grindlays

Mr N. J. Robson is to be made a deputy chairman of **Grindlays Bank** from August 1. He is also to be deputy chairman of Grindlays Holdings. On the same date Mr E. H. Owen will relinquish the position of deputy chairman, but remain a director. Mr C. R. Vincent and Mr R. Mann will continue each as a deputy chairman.

Mr D. W. Bound, Mr W. A. Hornby and Mr O. P. L. Stiles have been made directors of **Storey Brothers**.

Mr I. Weston Smith has been elected chairman of **Morgan Crucible** in succession to Mr H. I. Marthey. Mr J. C. R. Gilbert has been made managing director.

Sir Archibald Forbes has become deputy chairman of the **Thomas Cook Group**. Mr M. G. Wilcox retires as deputy chairman but remains on the Thomas Cook Group board. Mr T. E. Fisher becomes executive vice-chairman and Mr M. W. Brocksom is to be an executive director. Mr Fisher retains a place on the boards of Midland Bank Finance Corporation, Forward Trust and Midland Montagu Leasing. Mr Brocksom, finance director of Forward Trust has joined the Thomas Cook Group board.

Mr E. J. Baden, a director of Samuel Montagu has been made a director and chairman of **Midland Montagu Industrial Finance**.

Mr R. L. MacLeod and Mrs S. A. Mohan have become assistant secretaries of **The Life Offices' Association**.

Mr G. J. Titford will be joining **British Petroleum** as general manager of investments department.

Mr Henry Keswick has been elected chairman of **Reunion Properties**.

Mr Bryan Jenks and Mr Nigel Vinson have joined the board of **Cables Investment Trust**.

Mr T. J. P. Sanders has been made a director of **Sketchley Textile Division**. He becomes divisional director responsible for Sketchley Dimension Weld, and Sketchley Dimension Weld BV in Holland.

Mr Martin Henderson has been made a director of **Matheson**.

Mr G. K. Lawrence has resigned as deputy chairman and director of **J. Lyons**.

Mr H. E. Fogel, managing director of **Home Charm**, has been elected chairman. Mr J. G. Fogel has resigned as chairman but retains his directorship.

Mr C. W. R. Hutchison and Mr K. E. Atha have joined the board of **London & Midland Industrials**.

Mr John Banham and Mr James Lee have been elected as principals of **McKinsey and Company**.

Mr R. B. Hunt and Mr P. Y. S. Moon have become chairman and managing director respectively of **Laurence Philipps Insurance Services**.

Mr George McCallister, director of Balfour Kilpatrick, is the new president of the **Electrical Contractors' Association**.

H. Samuel Ltd: Higher Turnover and Profi by Britain's largest Jewelle

Points from the Review by Gilbert H. Edgar, C.B.E., F.R.C.O.G. (Hon.), Chairman and Joint Managing Director, for the year ended 31st January 1975:

This is the fifth successive year that we have been able to report a substantial increase in the year's trading with the Gr turnover reaching an all-time record of £35,060,564, and a n profit of £7,556,271 after complying with the requirements the Government's anti-inflation measures.

The first and second interim dividends in respect of the y amounted to 7.25p per share compared with 4.50p per share last year.

We continue to expand. In addition to the seven branche opened in 1973, ten more were opened last year and during current year this number is likely to be exceeded. The Group now has 271 branches throughout the country.

Our stocks have increased from 8 million pounds to 10 million pounds, and capital expenditure, of £2,800,000 has been authorised for 1975/6. That this can be done from ou own resources is an indication of our financial strength.

So far turnover for this year is well ahead of the same period last year, and we are optimistic that the result for the full year will again be satisfactory.

Significant figures from this year's accounts are:—

	1975 (52 weeks) £	197 (53 week £
Turnover (Tax Exclusive)	35,060,564	26,008,58
Profit before Taxation	7,556,271	6,022,94
Profit after Taxation before Extraordinary Items	3,448,475	3,338,8
Extraordinary Items	66,530	337,9
Net Assets Employed	21,297,966	17,268,0
Earnings per Ordinary and 'A' Ordinary Share	24.71p	23.9
Dividends per Ordinary and 'A' Ordinary Share	7.25p	4.5
Equity Dividend—Times Covered	3.41	5

H. SAMUEL LTD.

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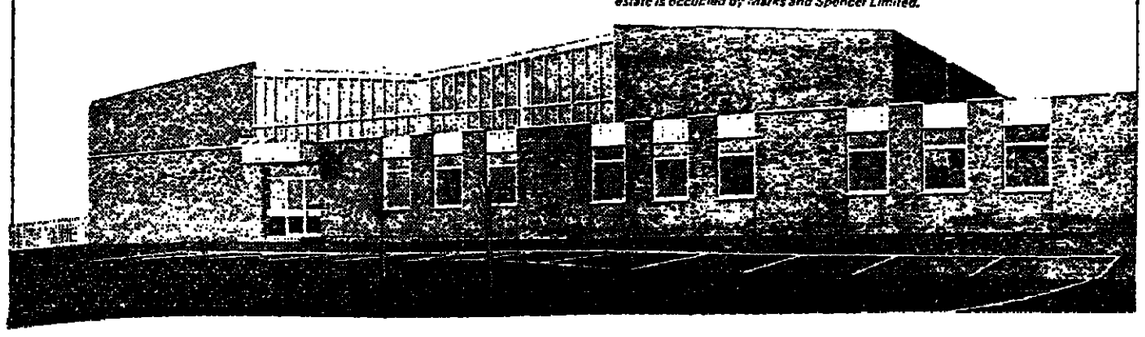
GOLDEN JUBILEE ANNUAL REPORT

- Gross Profit from investment £1,408,000 (1973: £1,325,000). Gross profit from dealing £62,000 (1973: £176,000).
- Rents lost in 1974 through freeze—£255,000.
- Maximum permissible increase in dividend recommended.
- 1 for 8 bonus issue proposed.
- Value of investment properties exceeds £67,000,000.
- Funds available to cover all present development commitments.

Copies of the Report and Accounts for 1974 may be obtained from The Secretary, 22-24 Ely Place, London EC1N 6TQ.

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DIVIDENDS

Further to the dividend notice advertised in the press on 10th June, the conversion rate applicable to payments in United Kingdom currency in respect of the undermentioned dividends to shareholders registered at the close of business on 29th June 1975 is £1 = R1.579865.
Details of the dividends concerned are as follows:—

Name of Company (each of which is incorporated in the Republic of South Africa)	Dividend No.	Coupon No	Rate of dividend per share (S.A. currency)	U Cur Equiv
Blyvooruitzicht Gold Mining Company Limited	59	—	50 cents	31.6
Durban Roodepoort Deep Limited	109	109	20 cents	12.6
East Rand Proprietary Mines Limited	111	112	25 cents	15.8

The effective rate of South African Non-Resident Shareholders' Tax for dividends is 15 per cent.

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FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Disposals return Morgan-Grampian to profits

After the fall from pre-tax ...fits of £1.1m to losses of ...,000 at half time, Morgan-...mpian closed its unprofitable ...ivities. Is duly returned to ...fits in the second half of the ...r to last March. The board ... raising the dividend from ...5p gross to 3.31p.

The second half produced a ...-tax profit of £588,000, ...inst £727,000 making £556,000 ... the full year, against £1.8m. ...is is after exceptional items ... new magazine development ...ts of £776,000 against ...36,000. The sale of magazine ...les brought in £245,000 com-...red with a loss of £1,000. After ...ding £1.02m of extraordin-...y items, against £2.87m, re-...ned profits are down from ...66m to £795,000. Turnover ...se from £15.5m to £18.7m.

The current year started ...tter than was expected but ... Government's promised ...tion to control inflation will ...obably hurt the company in ...e short term.

The United States business ...gazines should benefit from ...e upturn in business forecast ... this autumn by the United ...tes Government.

certainty. In 1973 it made only £366,000. The group has managed a 73 per cent rise to £652,000 for the year to March 31 on sales up from £4.2m to £6.3m. The dividend is 3.4p gross, against 3.03p.

U S oil spending outstrips capital

Profits by United States oil majors levelled out in the first quarter of this year, a report by the First National City Bank confirmed. The companies had enjoyed two years of super profits, and last year they stepped up their expenditure considerably. Yet the profit was still insufficient to meet capital needs.

The gap between the industry's capital resources and needs was widening at the present moment. In 1974 the gap was $4,700m or three times the gap in 1973.

The Cityband survey estimated that last year, return on investment for 37 oil groups was 19.8 per cent—the highest percentage yield for 25 years. In the first quarter of 1975 the return was at an annual rate of 13.5 per cent.—AFP.

...tonehill gets ...ustee status

Turnover to date for this ...ar is up by 50 per cent at ...onehill Holdings, the furni-...re manufacturer, disclosed the ...airman, Mr P. Steinberg, ...sterday. In the year to March ... last, Stonehill turned in pre-...x profits of £777,000 on turn-...er of £7.1m. Mr Steinberg ...opes to see sales reach £10m ...is year. There are no plans ...alter the present "close com-...ny" status. The scrip issue, ...nounced at the time of the ...74-75 results, will give Stone-...l Trustee Status.

Tex going tougher

Tex Abrasives hoisted pre-tax profits from £205,498 to £340,292 in the year to last March with sales rising from £2.6m to £2.9m. The dividend duly rises from just under 3.7p a share gross to 4.1p, where it is comfortably covered by earnings. But this year will be tough. The fall in the pound against the Deutsche Mark is bad for Tex because the Mark is the main currency in which it pays for raw materials. Pre-tax profits fell from £181,000 in the first six months of the past year to £159,000 in the second half.

...arclo soars 73 pc

After the 83 per cent jump ... pre-tax profits in the first ... months to £313,000, a record ...come from Carclo Engineer-...g Group last year was a near

Hunting Gibson

The ground is now clear for serious negotiations for the financing of a third lumber carrier for Hunting Gibson.

Building contracts for the other two have been cancelled and the group will fully recover its money. The charter rate for the third vessel is protected against the effects of inflation and is related to the eventual capital cost.

SGB cautious after interim setback

Turnover at SGB Group climbed from £21.4m to £26.3m in the six months to last March but pre-tax profits dipped from a record £3.12m to £3.01m. The full year's profits are not expected to be "seriously" below the 1974 record of £6.4m.

The dividend rises from 2.68p to 3.08p gross.

Company profit rise levels off

Net profits before tax of 325 British companies whose annual reports were covered in the Extel service during June aggregated £875m—less than 1 per cent above the previous year. Profits of 1,426 companies for the first half of the year aggregated £10,111.5m against £7,952.5m for the same companies in the previous year.

Argyle Dutch rejig

The Dutch interests of Argyle Securities have been reorganized. Argyle will exchange its minority interest in Wereldhave—which goes to 30 Dutch investors—for complete ownership of the Wereldstad subsidiary. The net assets and earnings of Argyle will not be significantly affected. The agreements are subject to Governmental and other consents.

Associates deals

Sealed Motor Constn

S. G. Warburg has acquired 25,000 shares at 42p for ADWEST GROUP. Joseph Sebag bought 50,000 shares on Monday at 43½p, and 10,000 at 42p also for Adwest.

Whitbread

Grievson Grant has purchased 10,000 "A" shares at 58p for associates of Long John International.

US venture by Lankro

Lankro Chemicals and Fallek *Chemical (United States), plan a* 50-50 enterprise in Alabama to make and market phenoxy hormone weedkillers. Fallek will arrange most of the funds.

PARK LANE HOTEL

The 1974 pre-tax profits more than halved from £168,000 to £56,000 thanks to the economic climate and rising costs. Increased revenue this year and tariff constantly under review to sustain profitability.

S AFRICAN RAILWAYS

• The South African Railways & Harbours authority is floating a DM70m, five-year note issue bearing 9. 25 per cent through a syndicate led by Berliner Handelsgesellschaft-Frankfurter Bank. Final terms later.—AP-DJ.

BANKERS TRUST

Bankers Trust Co and its Canadian affiliate has arranged a $40m syndicated, 6-year term financing—$26m in Eurodollar loans and $14m in Canadian dollar loans —for *Westburne International Drilling Ltd.*, the Bermuda affiliate of a calgary group, which wants the money to buy oil and gas drilling rigs for use in Algeria and Iran.

MASON & BURNS

Pre-tax loss of £40,000 for year to March 29 (profit of £8,600): no dividend (0.5p).

DUTTON-FORSHAW

At a total cost of £629,000 company has purchased for cancellation £1.04m nominal of its own Loan Stock at a price of 60p. The move will result in a reduction in the company's liabilities of £416,000.

UNERMAN HOLDINGS

Final 4.13 (4.0p) making 6.27p (6.0p). Pre-tax profit £683,000 (£710,000) on turnover of £6.99m (£6.80m) for year to March 31, 1975.

Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

$ STRAIGHTS	Bid	Offer
AIDC 10¼ 1981	103	104
Airlease 8¾ 1988	84	87
Ashland 8 1987	91½	92½
BICC 7½ 1987	69	73
Bristol 8¼ 1979	89½	91½
British Steel Corp 8¾ 1989	85	88
Burlington 7½ 1987	90½	91½
Carrier 8 1987	90	91
Chevron 7 1980	96½	98
Conoco 7 1980	96½	98
Conoco 8 1986	96½	97½
Cons Food 7½ 1991	87½	88½
Coventry 8½ 1981	89	91
Coventry 8¼ 1980	88	90
Curacao Tokyo 8¾ 1988	95½	94½
Curacao Tokyo 10¼ 1981	102¼	103¼
Cutler Hammer 8 1987	91½	92½
Dana 8 1987	91	92
Denmark Kingdom 7½ 1990	83¾	84¾
Denmark Mtge Bank 7½ 1991	81	81¾
Dundee 9¼ 1983	94	96
Escom 9¼ 1989	89	91
Escom Floating Rate 1982	98	91
First Chicago 7 1980	95½	96½
First Pennsylvania 7½ 1984	81	85
GATX 8¾ 1987	89½	90½
Guardian Royal 8 1987	76	79
Hambros 7¾ 1987	76	79
ICI 7½ 1992	78	80
International Util 8¼ 1982	95½	96½
Legal and Gen Ass 7½ 1988	75	76
Manchester 8¼ 1981	88	90
Mexico 8¾ 1991	82	85
Michelin 7¾ 1988	84	85
Mitsubishi 9 1989	94	96
Motorola 8 1987	93½	94½
Nat & Grindlays 7½ 1987	78	81
National Coal Board 8¾ 1988	85	88
Nippon Fudosan 10¼ 1980	103	104
NA Rockwell 8¾ 1987	91	92
Occidental 7½ 1984	84½	86½
Pacific Lighting 9¼ 1988	91	92
Pacific Lighting 9¾ 1981	101½	102½
Pennwalt 8 1987	91	93
Ralston Purina 7¼ 1987	91½	92½
Scanraff 7½ 1990	86½	87½
Scanraff 8¾ 1988	95½	96½
Shell 7½ 1987	92½	93½
Singer 11 1977	101½	102½
Skandinaviska 10¼ 1981	103	103
Slough 8 1988	68	72
South Africa 8 1987	82	85
Standard Oil 8¾ 1980	101	102
Standard Oil 8¾ 1988	98¼	99¼
Standard Oil 8¾ 1983	99	100
Sybron 8 1987	91	92
Tenneco 7¾ 1987	87½	88½
Textron 7¾ 1987	85½	86½
Transocean Gulf 7½ 1987	92½	93½
Transocean Gulf 7 1980	96	97½
Union Oil 7¼ 1987	91½	92½
Venezuela 8¾ 1987	94½	95½
Volvo 8 1987	88	89
Wm Glyns 8½ 1987	81	85
DM BONDS		
APEL (DM) 10 1981	105½	106½
Charter (DM) 6¾ 1968/83	79½	80½
Courtaulds (DM) 6¾ 1969/84	81½	82½
Denmark (DM) 9½ 1989	101	102
Escom (DM) 7 1973/88	73½	74½
Goodyear (DM) 6¾ 1972/87	86½	87½
ICI (DM) 9 1971.86	90	91
Mitsubishi Heavy (DM) 9¾ 1980	104½	105½
Nat West (DM) 8 1988	91	92
New Zealand (DM) 9¾ 1983	105½	106½
Suedafrica (DM) 8¾ 1970/85	93½	94½
Sun Int Fin (DM) 7¾ 1988	90½	91½
$ CONVERTIBLES		
AMF 5 1987	63	65
American Express 4¾ 1987	92½	94½
Beatrice Foods 4½ 1992	96½	97½
Beatrice Foods 6¾ 1991	106	108
Beatrice Foods 4¾ 1993	103	105
Borden 5 1992	91	93
Borden 6¾ 1991	101	103
Broadway Hale 4¾ 1987	74	76
Carnation 4 1987	89	91
Chevron 5 1993	101	103
Cummins 6¾ 1986	82	84
Dart 4¾ 1987	90	92
Eastman Kodak 4½ 1988	115	117
Economic Labs 4¾ 1987	86	88
Eaton 5 1987	70	72
Ford 5 1988	73½	75½
Ford 6 1986	85	87
Gillette 4¾ 1987	78½	80½
Gould 5 1987	83	85
General Electric 4¾ 1987	87	89
Halliburton 4¾ 1987	140	142
Harris 5 1987	66	68
Honeywell 6 1986	79	81
ITT 4¾ 1987	67	69
J Ray McDermott 4¾ 1987	160	162
J P Morgan 4¾ 1987	132	134
Nabisco 5¾ 1988	93	95
Owens Illinois 4½ 1987	87	89
J C Penney 4¼ 1987	87	89
Revlon 4¾ 1987	101	103
Rank Org 4¾ 1993	42	44
Sperry Rand 4¾ 1988	99	101
Squibb 4¾ 1987	87	89
Texaco 4¾ 1988	77½	79½
Union Carbide 4¾ 1982	108½	110½
Warner Lambert 4¾ 1987	94	96
Xerox Corp 5 1988	77	79

DM=Deutschmark issue.
Source: Kidder, Peabody Securities, London.

Brit & Commonwealth holding up well

...e profits of British and ...mmonwealth Shipping are ...ding up reasonably well. But ... W. Nicholas Cayzer, the ...irman, in his annual report ...s that it is too early to ...ject the outcome of the ...rrent year.

...e was a biger contribu-... from Liner Services and ... Carriers last year, but the ... the last named was ...rt-lived. Current fixtures are ...profitable, and if main-...ned would lead inevitably to ...ing-up.

up. The half year's trading results should not be disappointing but he warns shareholders of the impact of inflation.

Interim dividend. 1.15p gross (single payment of 2.53p gross last time for year).

Chairmen report

GEI INTERNATIONAL

Following another record year, Mr Thomas Kenny, says in his annual statement that the group is set to expand during the current recession, both organically and by acquisition. GEI is raising about £1.5m by rights issue.

LAND SECURITIES INV TRUST

Current year will be one of consolidation, but will see an increase in rental income of some £2.5m ... removal of rent restrictions, chairman reports. Board confident dividend can be raised by maximum permitted.

MCMULLEN

Pre-tax profit for half-year to March 29, attributable to company, £491,000 (£377,000).

BOND STREET FABRICS

Pre-tax profit for half-year to March 31, £145,000 (£110,000)

JOKAI TEA HOLDINGS

Board expects "substantial *increase" in profits for year to* March 31 last and "at least" the same dividend as last year.

MIDLAND YORKSHIRE HOLDINGS

Dr "Dick" Wallsgrove, chairman of Midland-Yorkshire Holdings, now a subsidiary of Croda International says in the annual accounts that the bidder's price of 360p a share was far too low. He affirms his confidence in Midland's continuing growth despite the weakening in the economy.

GOODYEAR TYRE & RUBBER (GB)

Group sales for 1974 up from £91.3m to all-time record of £112m and pre-tax profits from £1.3m to peak £3.6m.

MOTHERCARE

Sales showed 22 per cent increase in first 12 weeks of the current year compared with same period last year, chairman told annual meeting.

...ney gains from ...rling slide

...sney Products, the ...-...rn toy maker, says it ex-...ts to gain in the short-term ... the cheapness of its pro-...ts in world markets brought ...ut by the slide in sterling. ... M. Tapscott, the chair-...n, said at yesterday's annual ...eting that sales for the first ... weeks of the current year ... a record. Profits are also

Wall Street

New York, July 1.—On the New ... Stock Exchange today, ...res declined moderately at mid-...n what was viewed largely a consolidation of recent margains. At 11.30 a.m., the Dow ...s Industrial Average was 5.16 ...ts lower at 873.83.

...he market showed no immedi-... reaction to some Government ...omic reports including a rise ... May factory orders and the ...d consecutive monthly decline ... manufacturers' inventories.

...sterday, the Dow Jones indus-... average climbed 5.87 points ...76.97.

...lume totalled 19,430,000 ...s compared with 18,820,000 ...day.

	June 30	June 27
Allied Chem.	39	38¼
Allied Stores	38⅞	39
Allied Supermkt.	2¾	2⅞
Allis Chalmers	11⅞	11½
Alcoa	49	47½
Amax Inc	55¼	55½
Amerada Hess	30	19¾
Am. Airlines	8¾	8⅞
Am. Brands	40½	40⅝
Am. Broadcast	27⅞	26¾
Am. Can.	31⅞	31¼
Am. Cyan.	27⅞	27½
Am. El. Power	20	20
Am. Home	41⅞	42½
Am. Motors	6⅞	6⅞
Am. Nat. Gas	35¼	33⅞
Am. Standard	14⅜	13⅞
Am Tel	50½	50¾
Amf. Inc	20⅞	20⅞
Anaconda	16	17¼
Armco Steel	28¾	28½
Asarco	19⅛	19
Ashland Oil	23½	23¼
Atl. Richfield	103½	102½
Avco	8¼	6⅞
Avon Prod.	47½	47⅞
Babcock & Wcox	27¼	27
Bankers Tst NY	38¼	38¼
Bank of Am.	45¼ab	44¾ab
Bank of N.Y.	31⅞	31⅞
Beat Fds.	23⅞	23⅜
Bect. Dick	36½	35⅞
Bell & Howell	18¼	18⅝
Bendix	38⅞	39
Beth. Steel	36⅞	36¼
Boeing	30	29½
Boise Cascade	23	23¼
Borden	23¼	23
Borg Warner	18⅞	18½
Bristol Myers	68¼	67¼e
BP	11	11¼
Budd	9½	9¼
Burl. Ind.	26¼	25⅞
Burlington Nthn	38⅛	37¾
Burroughs	106⅞	104⅞
Campbell Soup	33	33¼
Canadian Pac.	14¼	14⅛
Caterpillar	66⅞	66¼
Celanese	36⅞	36¾
Central Soya	16	14⅞
Charter N.Y.	25¼	25½
Chase Manhat.	37¼	36¾
Chem. Bk. N.Y.	41	40¼
Chesapeake Ohio	36¼	36⅛
Chrysler	12⅝	11⅞
Citicorp	38½	38¼
Cities Serv.	48	48
Clark Equip	32	31¼
Coca Cola	90⅜	90
Colgate	32¼	31⅞
C.B.S.	51¾	52¼
Columbia Gas	28	27½
Comb Eng	55	54½
Comw. Edison	28⅛	28⅜
Con. Edison	13⅞	14
Cons Foods	18⅝	16
Cons Power	18	18
Cont. Can.	24⅞	24¼
Cont. Oil	67¼	67¼
Control Data	21¾	21½
Corning Glass	50⅞	51
C.P.C. Intnl.	48¼	48¼
Crane	49	48½
Crocker Int	25⅛	25½
Crown Zeller	39⅜	38¼
Dart Ind.	25¼	24½
Deere	42⅞	42⅜
Del Monte	25½	25½
Delta Air	37	36⅝
Detroit Edison	12⅞	13¼
Disney	50½e	50⅞
Dow Chem.	89¼	89½
Dresser Ind.	65⅛	65
Duke Power	15¾	16
Du Pont	129	127⅞
Eastern Air	5¼	5¼
East. Kodak	103½	103¼
Eaton Corp.	25⅜	25¼
El Paso G.	13⅜	12⅞
Equitable Life	17⅞	17⅞
Esmark	37¼	36⅞
Evans P. D.	6	5⅞
Exxon Corp	92⅞	91⅞
Firestone	19¼e	19¼
Fst. Chicago	24⅜	24
Fst. Nt. Boston	30⅝	30⅝
Fst. Penn Corp	18¼	19⅝
Ford	41⅞	41
G.A.F. Corp.	11⅜	11
Gamble Skogmo	23½	24
Gen. Dynam	32¾	33⅛
Gen. Electric	52⅝	52¼
Gen Foods	26¾	26⅞

	June 30	June 27
Gen. Instr.	12⅝	12⅝
Gen. Mills	50¼	50⅞
Gen. Motors	48⅝	47¾
Gen Pub Util N.Y.	16⅞	16⅞
Gen. Tel. El.	25¼	25⅜
Gen. Tire	16	16
Genesco	4½	4⅞
Georgia Pac	43¾	44¼
Getty Oil	186¼	165
Gillette	31¼	31½
Goodrich	19½	18½
Goodyear	19	18⅝
Gould Inc.	28⅞	27½
Grace	27⅞	27¼
Grant W.T	4⅛	4⅛
Gt. At. & Pac.	10¼	10⅛
Greyhound	14⅛	14¼
Grumman Cp.	17¼	18⅝
Gulf Oil	22¾	22⅞
Gulf Wn. Ind.	37½	38
Heinz, H. J.	51½	51½
Hercules	32	32
Honeywell	40	39⅞
IC Inds	16	15⅞
Ingersoll	82¼	81¾
Inland Steel	41½	41½
I.B.M.	209	209
Int. Harv.	27½	28
Int. Nickel	28	27⅞
Int. Paper	51¼	52¼
Int. Tel. Tel.	23⅞	23½
Jewel Co	23⅞	23
Jim Walter	40⅞	40¼
Johns Manv.	24⅝	23½
Johnson & John	97⅞	96⅞
Kaiser Alum	32¼	31⅛
Kennecott	40	40¼
Kerr McGee	91⅞	90½
Kimb. Clk.	27⅞	28
Kraftco Cp.	38⅛	38⅞
Kresge S S.	32¼	31⅞
Kroger	22¼	22
Ligg. Myer	32⅞	32¼
L.T.V.	14¼	14⅞
Litton	8½	8⅞
Lockheed	11¼	11⅛
Lucky Stores	14⅜	14⅛
Magnavox	8⅞	8¾
Manuf Hanover	38¼	38
Mapco	44¾	44½
Marathon Oil	50⅜	48⅞
Marcor Inc.	26¾	26⅝
Marine Mid.	19	18⅞
Martin Mar.	18¾	18¼
McDonnell	16	16
Mead	15⅞	15¾
Merck	85	84⅞
Minn. Min.	67¼	66⅜
Mobil Oil	47½	47½
Monsanto	72¾	72
Morgan, J. P.	70¼	69⅞
Motorola	50¼	49⅝
NCR Corp	38⅞	37¼
NL Ind	15⅞	15¼
Nat. Bisc.	39¾	39½
Nat. Distill.	15⅞	15⅜
Nat. Steel	38¼	38
Norfolk West	68⅞	68¾
NW Bancor	46¾	46
Norton Simon	22	21½
Occ. Pet.	18⅞	18⅝
Ogden	19¼	19¼
Olin Corp.	27	27
Otis Elev.	29⅞e	30
Owens Ill.	41¼	41⅞
Pac. Gas. El.	21¼	21⅞
Pan. Am.	4	4⅛
Penn. Cent.	1⅝	1⅞
Penney J C	58	58½
Pennzoil	22¼	22
Pepsico	67	67¼
Pet Corp	23⅞	23⅜
Pfizer	32½	33½
Phelps Dod.	39¼	39
Philip Mor.	53¼	52⅞
Phill. Pet.	59½	59
Polaroid	37	36⅞
P.P.G. Ind.	30⅞	30½
Proc Gamble	99⅛	97¼
Pub.Ser. El & Gas	16⅝	16¼
Pullman	56⅛	55¼
Rapid American	6	5⅞
Raytheon	57⅞	58¼
RCA Corp	20⅞	20¼
Repub. Steel	33	33
Reynolds Ind	59½	60
Reynolds Metal	33⅞	33¼
Rockwell Int	23⅞	23⅜
Royal Dutch	38⅞	38⅝
Safeways	47⅞	47⅞
St. Regis	28¼	27⅞
Santa Fe Ind	25⅞	27¼
SCM	12⅞	12⅞

	June 30	June 27
Schlumbgr.	87	87¼
Scott. Paper	15⅞	15¼
Seaboard Coast	22⅞	23
Seagram	29⅞	29⅞
Sears Roe.	73⅞	73
Shell Oil	55¼	54½
Shell Trans.	26¼	27¼
Signal Co	17½	17⅞
Singer	15	15⅜
Sony	13	12⅞
Sth Cal Edison	20¼	20⅛e
Southern Pac.	29¼	29½
Southern Rly.	55	54¼
Sperry Rand	48½	48⅝
Squibb	38	39½
Std. Brands	71⅞	71⅛
Std. Oil Cal	31¾	32
Std. Oil Ind	49⅞	49½
Std. Oil Ohio	76⅞	73
Sterling Drug	20¼	20
Stevens J P	19	18⅞e
Stude Worth	36¼	35⅞
Sunbeam Cp.	21	21⅞
Sundstrand	24⅞	24½
Sun Oil	35½	35⅛
Teledyne	21⅞	22⅞
Tenneco	25⅞	25¼
Texaco	26⅞	26¼
Texas East Trans	38¼	38½
Texas Inst	111	110⅞
Texas Utilities	23½	23¼
Textron	25	24¾
T W.A.	8⅞	9⅞
Travelers Cp.	27⅞	27⅞
T.R.W. Inc.	26	26
U.A.L. Inc.	20½	21¼
Unilever Ltd.	34¼	34¼
Unilever N.V.	42½	43½
Unionamerica	2⅞	2⅞
Union Bancorp	9½	9¼
Union Carb.	61⅞	61½
Un. Oil Cal.	45¼	44⅞
Un. Pacific Corp.	77⅞	77⅞
Uniroyal	8⅞	9
United Brands	5⅞	5½
Utd Merch & Man	13½	13¼
U.S. Industries	4⅞	4⅞
U.S. Steel	61⅞	61¼
Utd Technol	58	55½
Wachovia	23½	23⅛
Warner Comm	19¼	17⅞
Warner Lambert	38	38
Wells Fargo	19	19⅞
West'n Bancorp	27	27
Westghs El.	18½	18⅞
Weyerhaeuser	41¾	42⅞
Whirlpool	25¼	25½
White Motor	11⅛	10⅝
Woolworth	16⅜	16⅞
Xerox Cp.	70	68¼
Zenith	25⅞	25⅞
Canadian Prices		
Abitibi	10	10
Alcan	26	25½
Alg. Steel	25⅞	25
Asbestos	16¾	17¼
Bell Tel.	44¼	44⅝
Can. Sup. Oil	44½	44¼
Can. Inv. Fd.	4.87	4.97
Cominco	30⅞	30⅛
Cons. Bat.	27	27
Falconbridge	35¼	35¼
Gulf Oil	32	32
Hawker Can.	6.63	6.50
Hud. Bay Min	19	15¼
Hud. Bay Oil	35¼	35½
I A.C Ltd	19⅜	19⅝
Imasco	29¼	29½
Imp. Oil	29⅝	29¼
Int. Pipe	12⅞	12⅞
Mass.-Fergsn.	15½	15⅞
Power Cp	9¼	8⅞
Price Bros.	14⅞ab	14⅞
Royal Trust	22⅞	22¼
Seagram	29½	30⅞
Steel Co.	29⅞	25⅝
Tex. Can.	30	28½
Trans. Mnt. Oil	19¼	19⅞
Walker H	30⅞	31
W.C.T	22¼	22¼

• Ex div, a Asked, e Ex distribution, h Bid, k Market Closed, n New issue, p Stock Split, t Traded, y Unquoted.

Foreign exchange.—Sterling, spot, $2.1844 ($2.2025); three months, $2.1615 ($2.2011): Canadian dollar, 97.09c (97.06c).

The Dow Jones spot commodity index up 3.7 to 270.69. The futures index was 247.79.

The Dow Jones averages.—Industrials 878.99 (875.12); transportation, 171.15 (171.34); utilities, 86.06 (86.03); 65 stocks, 267.50 (266.24). New York Stock Exchange index, 50.84 (50.63), industrials, 56.45 (56.16); transportation, 33.24 (33.11); utilities, 35.72 (35.72); financial, 54.11 (53.90).

...silver higher

...York, June 30.—SILVER futures ... maintained on firm ground ... this abbreviated session on ... currency speculators and ... by Commission Houses. ... were 4.30 to 3.90 cents ... after being up more than six ... record decline in United ... sterling attracted hedging in-... 461.00c; Aug. 464.20c; ... Dec. 477.90c; Jan. ... March, 488.00c; May, ... July, 501.30c; Sept. 507.80c. ... generally reversed open-... to close slightly lower on ... Trading was moderately ... against the background of the ... gold auction, with the New ... Comex closing unchanged to 20 ... lower and the Chicago IMM 70 ... lower to $1 higher. Comex ... dropped to 872 contracts from ... on Friday, while IMM volume ... at 2,113 contracts. NY ... $166.50; Aug. ... Sept. $169.10; Oct, $170.40; ... $175.80; April, ... June, $180.90; Aug. $183.40; ... CHICAGO IMM.— ... $169.50-169.30; Dec. $173.50. ... March, $177.00 asked; June, ... asked; Sept. $185.00. ... maintained a firm tone over ... sales. July, 55.70c; Aug. 56.10c; ... 56.50c; Dec. 58.00c; Jan. ... March, 59.50c; May, 60.40c; ... futures fluctuated in a narrow ... about 0.30 cent to close mixed ... higher to 0.25 cent lower. ... small at 404 contracts. July, ... Sept. 52.25c; Nov. ... nominal; Dec. 56.10c; March, ... May, 56.80c nominal. ... SOYABEANS.—July, 507-... Sept. 497-496c; ... Jan. 504-504c; ... 513c; May, 519c; July, ... SOYABEAN OIL.—July, 25.35-... 21.35-25c; Sept. 20.55-... Dec. 19.15-20c; ... 18.90c; March, 18.95c; ... July, 18.60c; Aug. ... SOYABEAN MEAL.—July, ... Aug. $121.50; Sept. ... $124.80; Dec. $127.30-... $130.00 bid; March, ... May, $133.50 bid. ... GRAINS.—WHEAT closed ... higher to one lower. July, ... Sept. 307c; Dec. 318-... March, 326c; May, 324c. ... easier 4¼ higher to ... 279c; Sept. 249¼... 255c; March, 241... May, 256c; OATS closed easier ... lower. July, 150c; ... 158c; Dec. 157-158c; ... May, 140c nominal. ... sold very lightly. In ... contract three lots sold ... unchanged to 0.10 cents ... One lot sold in crossbreds ... also unchanged to 0.10 ... GREASE WOOL— ... nominal; July, 134.0c ... Dec. 138.0- ... March, 139.0-42.0c; May, ... 139.0c bid; Oct, ... bid. CROSSBRED.—Spot: ... nominal; ... 73.0-8.0c; Oct, ... 78.0c bid; March, ... May, 80.0 bid; July, 79.0c ...

... futures soared to the 2.00 cent ... close 2.55 to 2.58 cent higher ... short covering by Commission ... clients. The record weakness ... filled sterling. Trade talk that the market was due for a technical rebound also contributed to the advance. Sales were active at 5,781 lots including 26 switches. July, 42.00c; Sept. 44.40c; Dec., 45.05c; March, 43.40c; May, 43.85c; July, 44.10c. Spots: Ghana 66½; Bahia 55¼. World SUGAR futures were bid at the limit advance of 1.00 cent through the day on aggressive currency hedge buying, chart factors and evidence that operators and refiners are short of sugar. Sellers were scarce with an estimated 1,265 buy orders unfilled at the close. Spot: 14.55c up 1.05c: July, 14.35c; Sept, 13.65c bid; Oct. 13.55c bid; Jan. 13.31c bid; March, 13.31c bid; May, 13.25c bid; July, 13.19c bid; Sept. 13.17c bid; Oct. 13.16c bid.

COTTON futures closed off the days highs but still 0.41 to 0.62 cent a lb for the day. Volume was a modest 1,750 lots.

July, 47.25c; Oct, 48.99c bid; Dec, 49.38-40c; Mar, 50.37c bid; May, 51.20c bid; July, 51.95c; Oct, 52.60c bid; Dec, 52.65 bid.

Extel GROUP

SPORTING AND FINANCIAL NEWS SERVICES,
ENGINEERING SERVICES,
PRINTING,
ADVERTISING & PUBLIC RELATIONS,
TELEPHONE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS.

Better Results Forecast

- The last few months have shown some return of confidence in the City which has led to increased stock market activity. The previous depressed state of the City seriously affected the results of the Burrups printing group and all Extel's many other operations which depend on the City. Reorganisation and rationalisation, however, have enabled Burrups to maintain its eminent position in its own field.
- Increased costs, not all of which could be recovered, affected the profits of the Racing News Service. Despite difficulties the rate of installation of the new betting office display service, Extel-PA Show, is improving and a continuing growth in this service is expected.
- The acquisition of Robophone is proving to be valuable and with its new Communicator range the company should provide increasingly satisfactory results in the future.
- Forecasting is more difficult than ever but trading in the first two months of the current year has shown an improvement and it is believed that better trading results will be reported this time next year. The Board's confidence in the long-term future of the group remains undiminished.

	1975 £000s	1974 £000s	1973 £000s
Turnover	12,443	11,059	10,542
Profit before taxation	984	1,813	1,791
Profit after taxation	487*	896	1,001
Dividends per share	4.05p	4.05p	3.97p
Earnings per share	5.50p	10.10p	11.29p

*Before charging an extraordinary item of £176,000 after taxation.

THE EXCHANGE TELEGRAPH COMPANY LIMITED
BURRUP, MATHIESON GROUP OF COMPANIES
EXTEL STATISTICAL SERVICES LIMITED - EXTEL COMMUNICATIONS LIMITED
EXTEL ADVERTISING & PR SERVICES LIMITED - ROBOPHONE LIMITED

The Exchange Telegraph Company (Holdings) Limited
Extel House, East Harding Street, London EC4P 4HB

Hill Samuel Group

Results for the year to 31st March 1975

1 Sources of profit – after tax

	1975 £000	1974 £000
Banking (excluding investment results)	3,729	3,627
Investment results	(626)	473
Insurance and Shipping	3,102	2,857
Investment Management	79	213
	6,284	7,170
Less loan interest	988	937
Profit before exchange surplus	5,296	6,233
Exchange surplus*	449	904
Group profit after tax	5,745	7,137

*Arising from movements in floating exchange rates in respect of currency loan capital and net assets of overseas subsidiaries.

2 Insurance and shipping have again achieved record results with a near 10% gain on last year and now account for nearly 50% of Group after tax profits before interest and exchange surplus.

3 Despite difficult world economic conditions, the banking group (excluding investment results) showed a small increase on last year's record profits.

4 Investment portfolio results, shown separately for the first time, suffered from the stock market decline and showed a loss of £626,000 against a profit of £473,000 last year.

5 Earnings per share (before exchange surplus) 9.05p (1974 – 11.12p).

6 Dividend 3.5563p per share net, the maximum permitted under present legislation (1974 – 3.2744p).

Financial Summary

Year to 31st March	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975
Total assets (£m)	275	437	572	696	768	999	1,278	1,168
Group disclosed profit after taxation (£000)*	1,579	2,697	3,073	2,794	4,352	7,034	7,137	5,745
Disclosed earnings per share†	4.70p	6.34p	6.60p	6.00p	9.33p	11.74p	11.12p	9.05p
Dividends – gross pence per share	3.00p	3.11p	3.75p	3.75p	4.37p	4.59p	4.82p	5.42p
– net pence per share						3.21p	3.27p	3.56p

*excluding extraordinary items. †on profit above excluding exchange surplus.

A Premium on Prudence



From the Statement by the Chairman, Sir Kenneth Keith

I concluded my statement last year by saying that there were so many uncertainties at home and abroad that it was more difficult than ever before to forecast the outcome for the year which has now just ended. In the event this turned out to be only too accurate. In these *conditions there is a premium on prudence.* We therefore adopted a cautious policy.

The Group has once again benefited substantially from the development into insurance, shipbroking and other interests. Hill Samuel Insurance & Shipping Holdings Limited has produced an increase in pre-tax profits of 14%, and now contributes nearly half of Group profits as a whole.

Herstatt
Since 31st March, 1975, there has been a recovery of U.S. $16,285,000, representing 83% of the net loss of U.S. $19.5 million. This is instead of the 55% which Herstatt's foreign bank creditors were to have received under the Scheme of Arrangement dated 17th December, 1974.

The recovery arises from a settlement made between the creditors of Herstatt who had lodged claims in the United States of America and the German liquidator of Herstatt, and satisfies all claims against the liquidator and in the U.S.A.

This recovery has been reflected in the 1974/5 accounts and the Group's loss (ignoring loss of interest and legal costs) has been reduced to approximately £0.6 million after taxation relief. This sum, and £0.3 million after tax in respect of the cost of financing the U.S. $16,285,000 which has now been recovered, have been charged against inner reserves and remain part of the claim against the Deutsche Bundesbank.

Banking
We decided as a matter of policy to make this a year of consolidation rather than expansion on the banking front. Economic uncertainties and the desirability of maintaining higher levels of liquidity, which we regarded as essential in the prevailing conditions, led us to adopt this course, even if this had to be at the expense of higher profits. Despite this, trading results have held up well. Our foreign exchange department has continued to be active and again contributed substantially to our banking results.

Despite the fact that this has been a depressed year for capital markets both domestically and internationally until the last quarter saw some revival, our Investment Banking Division has been busy throughout. We have been particularly active in the merger and acquisition field both in the U.K. and with overseas companies.

Investment Portfolio
We are showing separately for the first time the results of the investment portfolio which comprise realised, but not unrealised, profits and both realised and unrealised losses. The total value of the bank's portfolio is significantly above cost and book value. This year the portfolio has had an adverse effect on Group profits; there has however been a substantial improvement since the year end.

Insurance and Shipping
Our insurance and shipping interests have had a good year with profits before taxation of £6,292,000 as compared with £5,522,000. The year under review has not been particularly favourable for the development of insurance company activities. Nevertheless, our own companies have completed the year in good shape. Our insurance broking subsidiaries have increased their turnover during the year by 16%. However, their profits are very slightly down from those of last year. The pre-tax profits of our shipbroking activities exceeded £1 million for the first time. During the year Lowndes-Ajax Computer Service Limited increased its turnover by 49% and produced substantially improved profits which exceeded £250,000 for the first time.

Investment Management
Hill Samuel Investment Management succeeded in making a modest contribution to Group profits and expanded its activities particularly in the Pension Fund field. We have consolidated the unit trusts under HSIM management. The reorganised operation has performed well.

The Future
Hill Samuel Group has come through 1974/5 in good shape and all sections of the Group's business are poised to take advantage of the upturn in world trade when it comes. The return of U.S. $16,285,000 of the Herstatt money removes an impediment to further expansion when the time is right.

Copies of the Report and Accounts containing the Chairman's Statement in full can be obtained from the Secretary:

Hill Samuel Group Limited
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FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Duport rights offer only 60pc taken up

Millions have been raised in the past few months through rights offers by companies large and small, but the pall over stock markets last week threatened to produce some casualties. Last night it was announced that the issue to raise £2.8m by the Duport steel and engineering investment group had been given the cold shoulder by a large number of shareholders.

Acceptances in fact were received for about 60.4 per cent of the 6.46m shares of 25p each offered on a 2-for-9 basis at 45p. The issue was underwritten by J. Henry Schroder Wagg, and they have been allotted the residue of 39.6 per cent of the shares.

With yesterday's transformation in the equity market it now looks as if **BOC International's** £22m rights operation may not be the failure thought up to Monday.

Issues & Loans

Ireland floats 25m units of account

Ireland is issuing a 25m units of account (instead of 20m), 9.25 per cent seven year loan at £99.50 per cent on the European capital market. The agreement was signed in Brussels with a syndicate of banks led by Kredietbank of Belgium and included the Kuwait Foreign Trading Contracting and Investment Company (SAK). Payment will be in Belgian francs.—Reuter.

Sunderland Water attracts £6m

The offer for sale by tender of £3m 9 per cent redeemable preference stock, 1980, by Sunderland & South Shields Water has been successful, as were others in the current wave of water-fund-raising. The total amount of stock applied for was £6.09m; the average price was £99.66. The highest tender was £102, and the lowest price to receive a partial allotment £99.43.

The response to this larger-than-usual water offer (the average has been £1m) is in line with market expectations. Interest now rests on the offers by **Cambridge Water**, which is calling for £1m. Here the minimum price is £99 per cent.

Yearlings harden

This week's batch of UK municipal authority, one-year negotiable bonds have a 12 per cent coupon and are priced at par compared with 11⅞ per cent at 99 15/16 per cent last week. This reflects a firmer trend in longer-term UK interest rates. Among the larger new borrowers (£1m or over) are **Preston, Southampton City, Bexley, Grampian Regional Council, Hammersmith, Hillingdon, Glasgow** (£2m), and **Birmingham**.

$35m TERM LOAN SIGNED

A $35m term loan for Yacimientos Petroliferos Fiscales Bolivianos (YPFB), Bolivia's government-owned oil company has been concluded in London. A consortium of 15 banks signed for a two-part loan agreement (one, eight years in tenor, the other five years in tenor) for the construction of a refinery in Santa Cruz as well as a lubricant plant in Cochabamba.

$12m FOR RELIANCE GROUP

Reliance Group Incorporated, though a subsidiary, has concluded a $12m unsecured, revolving credit agreement for 18 months with Continental Illinois National Bank of Chicago, Chase Manhattan Bank, and Chemical Bank.

DAWSONS INTERNATIONAL

Group is modestly profitable but recovery from a severe recession to former high profits will take time. Further reductions in short-term borrowings are sought.

ROBERT MOSS

Final 1.67p making 3.21p for year to March 31, 1975. Pre-tax profit £304,000 (£440,000) on turnover of £1.22m (£1.20m).

Bank Base Rates

Barclays Bank	9½%
C. Hoare & Co	*9½%
Lloyds Bank	9½%
Midland Bank	9½%
Nat Westminster	9½%
Shenley Trust	11½%
20th Century Bank	11½%
Williams & Glyn's	9½%

* 7-day deposits on sums of £10,000 and under, 6½%, up to £25,000, 6¾%, over £25,000, 7¼%.

THE NEW THROGMORTON TRUST LTD.

Capital Loan Stock Valuation 1st July, 1975

The net asset value per £1 of Capital Loan Stock is Nil.

Securities valued at middle-market price.

M. J. H. NIGHTINGALE & CO. LIMITED

62-63 Threadneedle Street, London EC2R 8HP Tel.: 01-638 8651

1974/75 High	Low	Company	Last Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div(p)	Yld %	P/E
55	35	Armitage & Rhodes	43	—	3.0	7.0	4.8
126	90	Henry Sykes	122	—	4.9	4.1	8.1
61	29	Twinlock Ord	33	−1	0.8	2.6	7.7
63	45	Twinlock 12% ULS	63	—	12.0	19.0	—

LEOPOLD JOSEPH HOLDINGS LIMITED

Extracts from the statement of the Chairman Sir Hugh Weeks in the Report and Accounts for the year ended March 31st, 1975.

Disclosed profits after tax at £468,000 (last year £466,000) show a small increase over the previous year after an increased allocation to inner reserves.

The dividend was increased by the maximum amount permitted.

In consequence of a cautious lending policy, only minimal amounts had to be written off against profits for bad or doubtful debts, and the balance sheet total was reduced to £67·9 millions. (£74·8 millions last year).

Over 60% of assets were held in a highly liquid form.

The capital base was increased by a subscription during the year for new shares by the Bayerische Landesbank and the Bremer Landesbank as well as by further retentions, from £5·20 millions to £7·67 millions, an increase of nearly 50%.

Copies of the Annual Report and Accounts are obtainable from the Secretary, Leopold Joseph Holdings Limited, 31-45, Gresham Street, London EC2V 7EA

UK Optical & Industrial Holdings

Europe's biggest manufacturer of ophthalmic lenses and a leading supplier of spectacle frames

"A further year of satisfactory progress"...

Salient points from the Statement by the Chairman, Mr. G. C. D'Arcy Biss

- 1974/75 results reflect a further year of satisfactory progress by the Group, and pre-tax profit increased by 21%.
- The Company is in the process of raising approximately £1.7 million by means of a 1-for-4 rights issue at 65p. (Last day of acceptance 17th July, 1975).
- The total dividend for the year 1974/75 of 3.153p net represents the maximum increase of 12½% allowed under current legislation. In view of the proposed rights issue H.M. Treasury has agreed to consent to dividends totalling 4.2p per share net, an increase of approximately 33%, in respect of the year 1975/76. Subject to unforeseen circumstances, the Board intends to recommend dividends at this level.
- Turnover and profits of most major companies in the ophthalmic group at home and overseas increased, and sales outside the UK together with exports represented 37% of total turnover. The ENOT Group in particular had a good year.
- The broadening of the Still Group's interests in recent years stood the Group in good stead and sales and profits increased.
- FUTURE PROSPECTS—Economic prospects in the UK at present are uncertain. However, the Group is in a stronger position than most to withstand any future difficulties.

PROGRESS RECORD

	Sales	Pre-tax Profit	Earnings per share
1974/75	£24.0m up 18.5%	£2.6m up 21%	11.9p
1973/74	£20.3m	£2.2m	10.6p
1972/73	£15.5m	£1.7m	9.5p

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Foreign Exchange

Sterling firmed sharply yesterday in hectic trading following a statement by Mr Denis Healey, the Chancellor, that wage rises must be kept to 10 per cent in the next round of claims. The Bank of England "effective depreciation rate" fell by one full point from the noon level to 27.8 per cent. This compared with 28.9 per cent overnight. The improvement was one of the sharpest for a considerable time.

The pound closed 180 points up against the dollar, at $2.2100.

Sterling jumped 100 points against the dollar immediately following the Parliamentary statement but later eased back from its best levels of the day, partly on profit-taking and partly on more considered assessment of his remarks, dealers said.

Gold fell by 30 cents an ounce, to $166.00.

Spot Position of Sterling

	Market rates (day's range) July 1	Market rates (close) July 1
New York	$2.1700-2140	$2.2095-2105
Montreal	$2.2340-2785	$2.2740-2750
Amsterdam	5.71-44fl	5.42-43fl
Brussels	78.60-79.60f	79.30-50f
Copenhagen	11.93-12.20k	12.18-20k
Frankfurt	5.11-23m	5.22-23m
Lisbon	53.10-54.70e	54.00-25e
Madrid	121.90-124.30p	124.00-20p
Milan	1370-98lr	13.96-98lr
Oslo	10.75-96k	10.94-96k
Paris	8.76-92f	8.90-91f
Stockholm	8.56-74k	8.71-73k
Tokyo	640-58y	653-55y
Vienna	36.10-90sch	36.70-90sch
Zurich	5.44-56f	5.54-55f

Effective depreciation since Dec 21, 1971 down 1.2 to 27.8 per cent.

Forward Levels

	1 month	3 months
New York	.65-.55c prem	1.87-1.77c prem
Montreal	.75-.45c prem	1.80-1.70c prem
Amsterdam	2¼-1¼c prem	6½-5½c prem
Brussels	20c prem-par	70-50c prem
Copenhagen	3ore prem-par	10-7ore prem
Frankfurt	2½-1½pf prem	8-7pf prem
Lisbon	10-200c disc	20c prem-250c disc
Milan	par-3lr disc	1-4lr disc
Oslo	2ore prem-par	6-4ore prem
Paris	1c prem-1c disc	3-1c prem
Stockholm	2ore prem-par	4-2ore prem
Vienna	25gro prem-par	50-20gro prem
Zurich	3-2c prem	8½-7½c prem

Canadian dollar rate (against US dollar) $0.9711-16

Eurodollar deposits (%) calls, 6-6½, seven days, 6½-6¾, one month, 6⅝-6⅞, three months, 6⅞-7⅛, six months, 7¼-7½.

Gold

Gold fixed: am, $167.00 (an ounce); pm, $166.50.

Krugerrand (per coin) $183½-185½ (£83-84) (domestic), $170½-172½ (£77-78) (international).

Sovereigns: (old) $51-52 (£23-23½), (new) $51-52 (£23-23½) (international).

Discount market

Money was on offer from the start in the discount market yesterday and the Bank of England eventually intervened to "mop up" surplus liquidity by selling a large amount of Treasury bills directly to the houses. Even so, underlying factors indicated there was still money left in the system to carry over to today.

The main favourable factors were very large surplus balances carried over from Monday and Government disbursements in excess of revenue, transfers to the Exchequer. Rates for secured loans opened in the region of 8½ per cent, but came steadily down to between 6 and 7 per cent by lunchtime, despite some patchiness later on.

Money Market Rates

Bank of England Minimum Lending Rate 10% (Last changed 2/5/75)

Clearing Banks Base Rate 9½%

Discount Mkt Loans %

Overnight: Open 9 Close 6

Week Fixed: 9-9½

Treasury Bills (Dis%)

Buying		Selling	
2 months	9⅞	2 months	9⅝
3 months	9⅞	3 months	9⅝

Prime Bank Bills (Dis%) / Trades (Dis%)

2 months	9⅞-9⅝	3 months	10
3 months	9⅞-9⅝	4 months	10¼
4 months	9⅞-9⅝	6 months	10⅝
6 months	10-9⅞		

Local Authority Bonds

1 month	10¼-9⅞	7 months	10⅞-10
2 months	10¼-10	8 months	10⅞-10
3 months	10⅜-10	9 months	11⅛-11
4 months	10⅜-10	10 months	11⅛-11
5 months	10¼-10	11 months	11⅛-11
6 months	10¼-10	12 months	12-11½

Secondary Mkt. ECD Rates (%)

1 month	9⅞-9⅝	6 months	10⅛-10¼
3 months	9⅞-9⅝	12 months	11⅛-10⅞

Local Authority Market (%)

2 days	8⅝	3 months	9⅞-9½
7 days	9⅝-9⅛	6 months	10
1 month	9⅝	1 year	11⅝-12

Interbank Market (%)

Overnight: Open 9½-9 Close 6

1 week	7⅞-6⅞	6 months	10⅛-10¼
1 month	9⅝-9⅛	9 months	10¼-10⅝
3 months	9⅝-9⅞	12 months	11⅛-10⅞

First Class Finance Houses (Mkt. Rate %)

3 months 10⅛ 6 months 10½

Finance House Base Rate 10½%

Commodities

TIN. Standard eased by £20.50 for cash and £27 for three months on a featureless market. High grade moved similarly but was tradeless. Afternoon.—Standard cash, £3,082-84 a metric ton; three months, £3,077-80. Sales, 550 tons (mainly carries). High grade: Cash, £3,082-84; three months, £3,077-80. Sales, nil tons. Morning.—Standard cash, £3,095-3,100; three months, £3,085-88. Settlement, £3,100. Sales, 255 tons (about half carries). High grade, cash, £3,095-3,100; three months, £3,085-88. Settlement, £3,100. Sales, 110 tons (mainly carries). Singapore tin ex-works, $M925 a picul.

COPPER.—Cash wire bars lost ground under liquidation and profit taking following the rallying tendency in sterling. Values finished £11 to £10 a tonne lower. Afternoon.—Cash wire bars, £545-45.50 a metric ton; three months, £564-64.50. Sales, 3,000 tons. Cash cathodes, £535-36; three months, £552-53. Sales, 50 tons (all carries). Morning.—Cash wire bars, £549.50-50.50; three months, £568.50-69.00. Settlement, £550.50. Sales, 6,500 tons (about half carries). Cash cathodes, £537-38.00; three months, £555.50-56.00. Settlement, £538.00. Sales, 450 tons (about half carries).

SILVER was easier.—Bullion market (fixing levels).—Spot, 209.60p a troy ounce (United States cents equivalent, 458.5); three months, 215.00p (465.8c); six months, 221.20p (474.7c); one-year, 233.00p (495.3c). London Metal Exchange.—Afternoon.—Cash, 206.5-6.6p; three months, 211.6-11.8p; seven months, 219-220p. Sales, 50 lots of 10,000 troy ounces each. Morning.—Cash, 210.5-10.5p; three months, 215.5-15.6p. Seven months, 223.0-24.0p. Settlement, 210.5p. Sales, 62 lots.

LEAD: Cash was £5.25 down and three months dropped £6.25.—Afternoon.—Cash, £160.50-62 a metric ton; three months, £166-66.50. Sales, 700 tons (mainly carries). Morning.—Cash, £160-60.50; three months, £165.50-66.50. Settlement, £160.50. Sales, 1,600 tons.

ZINC was steady.—Afternoon.—Cash, £325.50-26 a metric ton; three months, £316.50-17.50. Sales, 1550 tons. Morning.—Cash, £325.50-25.75; three months, £318.00-18.50. Settlement, £325.75. Sales, 1,300 tons. Producers' price, £360 a metric ton. All afternoon metal prices are unofficial.

PLATINUM was £1 down on Monday at £69 ($152.50), a troy ounce.

JUTE steady.—Bangladesh white "C" grade, July-Aug-Sep, £200; Bangladesh white "D" grade, July-Aug-Sept, £145 per long ton. Calcutta steady.—Indian, July, Rs 475; Dundee Daisee, July, Rs 430 per bale of 400 lb.

WOOL: Greasy futures were steady.—July, 154-56p per kilo; Oct, 161-63p; Dec, 163-66p; March, 170-72p; May, 173-76p; July, 176.79p; Oct, 179-82p; Dec, 181-83p. Sales, 11 lots.

RUBBER: Terminal dropped on speculative and jobber profit taking plus stop loss selling, based on sterling's recovery. Dealers said conditions were extremely nervous.—Aug, 32.50-33.75p per kilo. Sept, 33.40-33.60p; Oct-Dec, 34.30-34.35p; Jan-March, 35.40-35.45p; April-June, 36.60-36.65p; July-Sept, 37.35-37.55p; Oct-Dec, 38.35-38.50p; Jan-March, 38.60-38.70; April-June, 39.15-39.20p. Sales, 184 lots at 15 tonnes, including seven options; 12 at 5 tonnes.

RUBBER PHYSICALS were barely steady.—Spot, 31-33p per kilo; Cifs: Aug, 29-29.25p; Sept, 29.75-30.50p.

EGGS.—Home-produced: The heavy supplies of all grades have taken their toll of price, and it now remains to be seen how well the demand responds. Imported: Quantities coming forward are minimal, mostly consisting of large brown.

Home-produced market prices (in £, based on trading packer first-hand):

	Wed-Thur-Fri	Mon-Tue
WHITE		
Large	£2.00 to 2.90	£2.50 to 2.60
Standard	£1.50 to 1.70	£1.40 to 1.55
Medium	£1.30 to 1.45	£1.20 to 1.35
Small	£1.20 to 1.35	£1.10 to 1.30
BROWN		
Large	£2.90 to 3.25	£2.75 to 2.90
Standard	£1.70 to 1.90	£1.60 to 1.70

Imported prices (in £): Current Arrivals (June 23-July 5): French 1's, £3.50; 2's, £2.75 to 2.80; 3's, £2.20; 4's, £1.70.

Note: All prices quoted are for bulk delivery in Keyes trays. The above range is a guide to general market conditions and is dependent upon location, quantity and whether delivered or not.

MEAT (Smithfield).—BEEF: Scotch killed sides, 35.0-37.0p per lb; English hindquarters, heavy, 42.0-44.0p; Ulster hindquarters, 41.0-44.0p; Ulster forequarters, 19.0-22.0p; Eire hindquarters, 42.0-45.0p; Eire forequarters, 19.0-22.0p.

VEAL: English bobbies, 16.0-18.0p; Scotch bobbies, 14.0-16.0p.

LAMB: English, small, 52.0-57.0p; English, medium, 51.0-56.0p; English, heavy, 50.0-54.0p; Eire, 27.0-30.0p.

Imported frozen: NZ D's, 30.0-31.0p; NZ 2's, 30.5-31.0p; NZ 8's, 29.0-29.5; NZ YLs, 28.0-29.0p.

EWES: 12.0-15.0p.

PORK: English, under 100 lb, 26.0-33.0p; English, 100-120 lb, 26.0-31.0p; English, 120-160 lb, 27.0-30.0p; English, 160-180 lb, 25.5-29.0p; English, 180 lb and over, 25.0-27.0p.

COFFEE.—Robusta terminal moved lower during afternoon dealings following an easing in New York and reflecting the steadiness of sterling on the news of the Government's anti-inflation measures. At the close, prices were £4.00 to £8.5 lower on balance and sales totalled 806 lots.

Arabicas were 125 points to 60 points down in sales of seven lots.

ROBUSTAS.—July, £465.0-65.5 per metric ton; Sept, £464.0-66.0; Nov, £460.0-60.5; Jan, £458.5-59.5; March, £465.0-64.0; May, £463.0-65.0; July, £465.0-66.0. Sales, 806 lots, including five options.

ARABICAS.—Aug, $65.80-64.40 per 50 kilos; Oct, $63.00-63.20; Dec, $64.50-65.70; Feb, $64.00-64.70; April, $64.00-64.70; June, $63.70-65.00; Aug, $64.00-65.50. Sales, 7 lots.

COCOA futures extended the downtrend in the afternoon, but finally rallied from newly-established "lows" for the day, to close steady although still some £5.00 to £9.50 per tonne down on balance.

Sterling's recovery allied to the Government's prospective anti-inflation measures were jointly instrumental in bringing the market into a lower range, dealers said, and lobbers and speculators again took advantage of minor profits. But shortcovering lifted the market in the final stages, noticeably in the spot July position.

July, £472.0-4.0 per metric ton; Sept, £470.5-1.5; Dec, £475.0-6.0; March, £479.0-8.5; May, £481.0-3.0; July, £483.0-7.0; Sept, £485.0-91.0. Sales: 1,874 lots, including five options. ICO prices: daily, 45.07c; 15-day average, 43.39c; 22-day, 45.06c (US cents per lb).

SUGAR.—Terminal during the early afternoon continued to react from Monday's sharp rise under trade selling and profit-taking. Steadier advices from New York later halted the decline and prices moved irregularly before finishing £10.35 to £9 lower on balance in sales of 4,575 lots.

The steadiness of sterling following Mr Healey's speech on inflation was a background factor aiding the easier trend, some quarters felt.

The London daily price was raised by £10 to £155 a long ton.

Aug, £146.25-8.00 a long ton; Oct, £145.25-5.50; Dec, £142.00-2.25; March, £141.50-1.90; May, £140.50-1.00; Aug, £140.00-0.25; Oct, £140.00-0.95. Sales: 4,575 lots. ISA prices 15.46c. 17-day average, 15.32c. The London daily price for WHITE SUGAR was £185 a long ton yesterday.

SOYABEAN MEAL was quiet.—Aug, £75.20-75.60 per metric ton; Oct, £74.20-74.50; Dec, £74.50-74.60; Feb, £75.40-75.60; April, £76.50-76.60; June, £78.10-78.70; Aug, £79.30-80.00. Sales: 56 lots.

TEA.—There was generally a good demand for the 11,657 packages of Sri Lanka tea on offer, the Teabrokers Association reported.

Brightest sorts sold well at full rates but plainer descriptions were 1p to 2p per kilo lower. Dusts were a strong feature. Demand was limited for the 515 packages of South Indian tea with prices generally 1p to 2p per kilo lower and some withdrawn.

GRAIN (The Baltic).—All sections of the imported grains market experienced very quiet conditions with sellers' prices showing little change. A small tonnage of EEC barley traded for July shipment to Cork.

WHEAT.—Unquoted.

MAIZE.—No. 3 yellow American/French July, £56; Aug, £59.75; £60.50 trans-shipment east coast. South African white dent Aug, £66. South African yellow Aug, £65, seller Glasgow.

BARLEY.—EEC feed July, £58 trans-shipment east coast. All a ton, cif UK unless stated.

London Grain Futures Market (Gafta).—EEC origin. BARLEY easier. Sept, £56.05; Nov, £57.85; Jan, £59.50; March, £61.80; May, £63.40. WHEAT easier.—Sept, £53.75; Nov, £56.00; Jan, £58.40; March, £60.30; May, £60.95. All a long ton.

Home-grown Cereal Authority's location ex-farm spot prices: Feed BARLEY.—Edinburgh, £50.15; Fife, £53.40; Lynn, £52.50. No prices quoted for wheat.

Recent Issues

	Closing price
Akroyd and Smithers 25p	158-2
All Irish Banks 10% Cnv (£100)	£40
Clive Discount (20)	51+3
Colne Val Wtr 9% Rd Pf (£100)	£101
Folkestone Wtr 9% Pf (£100)	£11¼
Gestetner 10% Cnv (£100)	£117+4
Sth Surrey Wtr 9% Pf (£100)	£11⅛
Southend 12¼% 1981 (£99½)	£43½
Warwickshire 12¼% 1980 (£99)	£98⅞
Waterford Glass 10% Cnv (100)	100+1
Westminster 13% 1981 (£97½b)	£9¼

RIGHTS ISSUES	Latest date of renun.	
Bio (46)	Sept 19	7 prem+½
Barrow Hepburn (25)	July 21	8½ prem+2½
Bowater (115)	..	22 prem
Carless Capel (40)	Aug 8	18 prem+5
Com Bnk Aust ($1.50)	Aug 7	85 prem
Ever Ready (62)	July 21	6 prem+5
GPI Int (76)	Aug 1	2 prem+1
Glaxo (200)	July 8	170 prem+19
Hawkins (20)	..	½ prem-½
London United (50)	..	12 prem+2
Peglers Hat (105)	..	8 prem
Phoenix Ass (160)	Aug 1	10-prem+6
Premier Cons (5)	July 11	4 prem+1
Serck (27½)	July 21	3½ prem+2½
Unicorn (50)	..	2 prem
UK Optical (65)	July 7	9 prem+6

Issue price in parentheses. * Ex dividend. † Issued by tender. ‡ Nil paid. a £45 paid. b £10 paid. c £65 paid. f £50 paid. g £60 paid. h £25 paid. i £40 paid.

Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds

1974/75 High Bid	Low Offer	Trust	Bid	Offer	Yield
		Authorised Unit Trusts			
		Abacus Arbuthnot Ltd. Barnett Hse, Fountain St, Man 2. 061-236 9773			
32.6	20.8	Giants	28.2	30.0	4.08
35.0	21.7	Do Accum	30.5	32.4	4.08
30.8	18.2	Growth	25.9	27.7	4.50
32.2	19.0	Do Accum	28.2	30.0	4.50
30.7	20.7	Income	26.3	28.5	8.20
33.3	23.4	Do Accum	30.3	32.5	8.20
29.9	15.6	East & Int Acc	19.5	20.5	2.70
		Abbey Unit Trust Managers. 72-80 Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury, Bucks 0296-5941			
31.3	10.8	Abbey Capital	19.0	20.2	4.61
35.1	19.2	Abbey General	29.9	31.8	4.42
24.2	11.0	Do Income	21.6	22.9	6.26
25.9	13.4	Do Invest	24.0	25.5	3.40
		Albea Trust Managers Ltd. 34 Finsbury Circus, London, EC2 01-588 6371			
60.3	33.1	Albea Tst*	52.1	56.0	3.85
48.1	24.3	Do Income*	44.1	47.4	6.05
		Allied Hambro Group. Hambro Hse, Hutton, Essex. 01-588 2851			
52.4	30.1	Allied Capital	47.2	50.4	5.83
50.9	31.4	Do 1st	45.9	49.0	5.45
49.5	29.0	Brit Ind 2nd	44.8	47.8	6.22
27.8	16.2	Growth & Inc	24.3	26.0	6.05
24.2	14.5	Elec & Ind Dev	20.9	22.4	6.22
39.8	24.3	Met Min & Cmdty	36.1	38.6	6.42
46.5	29.1	High Income	40.1	42.9	7.00
27.8	16.4	Equity Income	24.3	26.0	7.26
23.8	14.1	International	23.6	25.2	2.06
39.0	25.0	HighYieldFnd	34.2	36.6	10.52
78.8	43.5	Hambro Fnd	69.4	74.2	5.99
38.7	22.7	Do Income	42.1	35.4	7.72
91.5	44.3	Do Recovery	68.9	73.6	9.96
19.1	9.9	Do Smaller	13.8	14.8	8.35
20.7	12.3	Do Accum	18.7	20.0	5.06
21.7	13.6	2nd Smaller	19.4	19.7	8.46
44.6	30.4	Secs of America	44.6	47.9	2.84
126.2	99.5	Exempt Fnd	115.5	123.1	8.57
		Barclays Unicorn Ltd. 252 6 Romford Road, London, E7 01-534 5521			
30.6	25.0	UnicornAmer	30.6	32.7	2.41
68.4	35.7	Aust Income*	48.1	52.0	3.81
79.6	42.2	Do Accum	57.7	62.3	3.81
56.6	27.6	Unicorn Capital	48.7	52.7	5.41
64.2	30.2	Exempt*	54.0	56.2	7.24
19.6	11.1	Extra Income	17.3	18.4	9.80
50.9	22.4	Financial	44.2	47.8	4.34
49.3	26.4	Unicorn '500'	41.0	43.8	7.17
24.1	12.0	General	21.0	22.5	6.42
29.7	14.9	Growth Accum	25.2	27.2	4.95
55.8	30.0	Income	48.8	51.9	7.63
25.2	14.9	Recovery	22.1	23.6	5.64
95.3	44.7	Trustee	73.6	78.3	5.60
49.6	32.4	Worldwide	46.4	49.6	2.79
140.0	96.7	B'tst Inv Fnd	123.0	126.8	6.36
143.0	97.2	Do Accum	125.7	129.6	6.36
		Brandts Ltd. 36 Fenchurch St, London, EC3. 01-626 6599			
113.0	85.0	Brandts Cap (4)	108.0	115.0	2.01
123.0	91.0	Do Accum (4)	118.0	125.0	1.94
120.0	75.0	Brandts Inc (4)	100.0	107.0	8.21
		Bridge Talisman Fund Manager Ltd. 5-8 Mincing Lane, EC3. 01-623 4951			
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		The British Life. Reliance Hse, Mt Ephraim, Tun Wells. 0892 22271			
41.4	25.2	British Life	36.0	37.5	[illegible]
30.0	[illegible]	Balanced (2)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
31.9	19.1	Cap Accum (2)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
34.9	19.9	Dividend (2)	25.3	26.8	[illegible]
		Brown Shipley Unit Fund Managers Founder's Court, Lothbury, EC2 01-600 4520			
156.0	105.1	Brn Ship Inc (3)	136.2	141.3	6.50
174.6	116.9	Do Accum (3)	155.0	160.0	6.50
		Canada Life Assurance. 2-6 High St, Potters Bar, Herts 77 51122			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Canlife Gen / Do Accum / Income Dist / Do Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Carliol Unit Fund Managers Ltd. Milburn Hse, Newcastle-upon-Tyne. 0632 21165			
61.7	34.5	Carliol (8)	57.4	[illegible]	3.46
67.7	37.4	Do Accum	63.0	[illegible]	3.46
		Charities Official Investment. 77 London Wall, London, EC2 01-588 1815			
116.5	[illegible]	Inc* (24)	103.8	..	[illegible]
190.5	[illegible]	Accum* (24)	156.3	..	[illegible]
		Charterhouse Japhet Unit Management Ltd. 2 Paternoster Row, London, EC4 01-248 3999			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Int (3) / Accum (3) / Inc (3) / Euro Fin (3) / Fund Inv (3)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Crescent Unit Trust Managers Ltd. 4 Melville Crescent, Edinburgh. 031-226 4931			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Growth Fnd / International / Reserves Fnd / High Dist	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Drayton Unit Trust Managers Ltd. 43-45 South St, Eastbourne. 0323 36711			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Commodity / Growth / Drayton Capital / Drayton Inc / International	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Equitas Securities Ltd. 41 Bishopsgate, London, EC2. 01-588 2351			
53.4	25.6	Progressive	44.7	46.5	4.39
		Equity & Law Unit Trust Managers Ltd. Amersham Rd, H Wycombe, Bucks 0494 32815			
47.0	22.3	Equity & Law	42.5	44.7	4.61
		Framlington Unit Trust Management Ltd. Framlington Hse, 5-7 Ireland Yd, EC4 01-248 6971			
51.0	26.4	Capital	47.0	50.0	5.19
46.8	24.0	Income	42.8	45.4	7.42
		Friend's Provident Unit Trust Managers Ltd. 7 Leadenhall St, London, EC3 01-626 4511			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Friends Prov / Do Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Funds in Court. Public Trustee, Kingsway, WC2 01-405 4300			
85.0	46.0	Capital*	80.0	81.0	4.96
65.0	40.0	Gross Income*	60.0	63.0	8.25
77.0	47.0	High Yield*	67.0	70.0	9.37
		G and A Unit Trust Managers Ltd. 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Essex. 0277 227300			
[illegible]	17.6	G & A	21.0	22.5	5.91
		G.T. Unit Managers Ltd. 16 St. Martin's-Le-Grand, EC1. 01-600 6462			
[illegible]	[illegible]	G.T. Cap / Do Accum / Do Income / Do US Gen Fnd / Do Japan Gen / Do Pension Ex	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Gartmore Fund Managers. 2 St Mary Axe, EC3A 8BP 01-283 3531			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Gartmore Brit / Do High Inc / Do Overseas	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Guardian Royal Exchange Unit Man Ltd. Royal Exchange, London, EC3 01-283 1031			
[illegible]	31.5	Guardhill	54.8	60.9	5.51
		Henderson Administration. 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Essex / 11 Austin Friars, London, EC2N 2ED 0277 227300			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Aust Tst / Cabot / Cabot Accum / European / Far East Tst / Financial ITU / Henderson Gen / High Income / Inc & Assets / International / Nth American / Oil & Nat Res / Pers Portfolio / World Wide	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Hill Samuel Unit Trust Managers Ltd. 45 Beech St, EC2P 2LX 01-628 8011			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Dollar / International / Brit Tst / Brit Guernsey / Cap / Fin Tst / Inc Tst / High Yield / Sec Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Jascot Securities Ltd. 21 Castle St, Edinburgh 031-226 4421			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Compound / Do Accum / Ext Wdraw / Preference / Do Accum / Cap / Aust Comp Fnd / Gr W draw / Sectr Edra / Fin & Prop / Int Growth / Nth Sea / Commodity / Do 2½% W draw	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
38.5	24.1	2½% W draw (2)	33.4	35.2	..
		Key Fund Managers. 25 Milk St, EC2V 8JE. 01-606 7070			
54.9	31.7	Cap Fund	48.4	51.5	4.22
79.1	48.1	Exempt Fnd (36)	61.9	65.8	8.35
55.8	32.7	Inc Fnd	45.2	49.0	9.92
74.2	41.5	KPIF	58.0	61.3	4.29
		Lawson Securities. 63 George Street, Edinburgh. 031-226 3911			
34.0	18.6	American Fnd	25.8	27.8	1.90
29.8	21.4	Gilt&Warrant	28.9	29.3	1.74
113.6	81.8	High Yield Fnd	100.6	108.6	14.00
120.7	84.1	Do Accum	109.5	117.5	14.00
[illegible]	47.5	Scottish Inc	64.2	69.2	3.30
[illegible]	47.5	Do Accum	65.1	70.1	3.30
		Legal & General Tyndall Fund. 18 Canynge Rd, Bristol 0272 32241			
16.4	23.6	Distribution	43.2	45.6	5.61
49.4	36.2	Do Accum	48.6	51.4	5.61
		Lloyds Bank Unit Trust Managers. 71 Lombard Street, London, EC3 01-623 1500			
[illegible]	18.5	1st Income	33.3	35.8	5.35
47.0	22.6	Do Accum	41.4	44.5	5.35
42.6	20.7	2nd Income	37.2	40.0	4.06
49.7	23.9	Do Accum	43.3	46.5	4.06
60.6	32.5	3rd Income	53.9	57.9	7.56
72.2	37.9	Do Accum	64.2	69.0	7.56
		M & G Securities. Three Quays, Tower Hill, EC3R 6BQ 01-626 4588			
132.1	76.7	M & G General	111.3	119.1	6.17
178.0	103.9	Do Accum	153.4	164.1	6.17
121.8	74.1	2nd Gen	108.4	114.9	5.44
161.1	95.8	Do Accum	147.4	156.2	5.44
89.6	52.0	Mid & Gen	79.0	84.5	8.76
129.1	75.0	Do Accum	109.2	116.8	8.03
73.5	38.3	Div Fnd	63.5	67.3	9.03
121.1	68.8	Do Accum	101.3	108.0	9.03
101.5	55.2	Special Tst	77.9	82.0	5.14
110.6	66.2	Do Accum	89.1	94.4	5.14
239.0	139.4	Magnum Fnd	176.3	185.3	4.49
262.7	145.2	Do Accum	202.8	212.9	4.49
50.2	26.9	FITS	45.6	48.8	3.60
53.9	28.5	Do Accum	50.8	54.4	3.60
75.0	46.9	Compound	67.6	71.7	3.66
118.0	67.8	Recovery	99.2	105.1	6.76
[illegible]	[illegible]	Extra Yield / Do Accum / Japan / Euro & Gen / American & Gen / Australian / Far East Inc / Do Accum / Trustee Fnd / Do Accum / Charifund (2) / Pension* (2) / NAACIF / Do Accum / M&G Inc / Clyde Gen / Do Accum / Clyde High Inc / Do Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		National Provident Inv Managers Ltd. 48 Gracechurch Street, EC3 01-623 4200			
40.0	20.7	NPI Accum (3)	37.0	39.3	4.30
36.0	19.1	Do Dist (3)	33.3	35.3	4.30
118.4	106.8	Do O'seas Acc	118.4	125.3	7.50
118.4	106.8	Do O'seas Inc	118.4	125.3	3.50
		National Westminster Unit Trust Managers. 41 Lothbury, London, EC2P 2BP 01-606 6044			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Capital / Income / Financial / Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		New Court Fund Managers Ltd. 72-80 Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury, Bucks 0296 5941			
144.0	113.0	Equity	127.0	135.0	2.98
118.5	77.4	Income Fund	104.4	111.0	6.70
99.1	49.0	International	92.1	97.9	2.06
99.3	74.0	Smaller Co's	82.9	89.1	4.89
		Norwich Union Insurance Group. PO Box 4, Norwich, NR1 3NG. 0603 22200			
204.3	95.1	Grp Tst Fnd (3)	190.5	200.5	6.97
		Oceanic Unit Trust Managers Ltd. 3-5 Norwich Street, EC4. 01-831 6212			
38.8	24.6	Financial	30.2	32.7	4.55
20.9	12.9	General	15.6	16.6	4.37
36.7	20.8	Growth Accum	25.7	28.8	5.84
36.3	18.9	Do Income	22.6	24.0	[illegible]
24.4	11.6	High Income	18.1	19.5	8.99
20.3	11.0	Investment	18.3	19.5	3.48
28.4	10.3	Overseas	23.9	25.7	3.24
42.0	27.9	Performance	36.1	38.7	4.06
20.8	13.3	Progressive	17.8	18.7	4.61
21.7	12.5	Recovery	19.1	19.3	8.55
		Pearl-Montagu Trust Managers Ltd. 114 Old Broad St, EC2P Box 2.5, EC2 01-588 5464			
19.8	10.2	Growth	17.2	18.5	4.47
20.7	10.6	Do Accum	18.6	20.1	4.47
22.9	13.3	Income	20.0	21.4	7.97
38.7	15.1	Trust	23.2	24.8	4.93
33.0	17.8	Do Accum	29.5	31.8	4.93
		Pelican Unit Administration. 81 Fountain Street, Manchester. 061-236 5685			
55.4	39.2	Pelican	49.1	51.5	6.13
		Perpetual Unit Trust Management. 48 Hart St, Henley on Thames. 04912 6868			
94.5	46.5	Perpetual Grth	87.8	94.5	4.40
		Piccadilly Unit Trust Managers Ltd. 1 Love Lane, London, EC2. 01-606 8744			
31.0	21.7	Inc & Growth	24.8	26.8	3.70
33.8	20.6	Extra Inc	29.5	31.7	10.60
		Portfolio Fund Managers Ltd. 10 Charterhouse Sq, London, EC1 01-251 0544			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Portfolio Cap / Growth With Inc / Private Port / Member Port	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Practical Investment Co Ltd. Europa Hse, World Tr Centre, E1. 01-623 8893			
119.1	60.1	Practical Inc	119.7	120.3	3.31
152.7	76.6	Do Accum (3)	143.2	155.5	3.31
		Provincial Life Investment Co Ltd. 22 Bishopsgate, EC2. 01-247 6533			
62.6	30.8	Prolific	59.8	63.0	3.37
72.1	40.1	Do High Inc	62.1	66.3	8.19
		Prudential Unit Trust Managers. Holborn Bars, London, EC1N 2NH 01-405 9222			
90.5	46.5	Prudential	75.0	79.5	5.32
		Reliance Unit Managers Ltd. Reliance Hse, Mt Ephraim, Tun Wells. 0892 22271			
34.4	23.6	Opp Accum (2)	36.2	38.1	6.40
		Save & Prosper Group. 4 Great St Helen's, EC3P 3EP. 01-588 1717. Dealings to: 01-554 8899. Erskine Hse, 68-73 Queen St, Edinburgh EH2 4NX 031-226 7351			
		Ebor Securities.			
54.7	34.9	Universal Growth	53.4	57.2	2.59
45.0	32.2	Capital Accum	39.7	42.5	3.60
41.9	21.0	General	36.9	39.4	5.05
41.4	23.9	High Return	36.5	40.1	8.90
[illegible]	[illegible]	Commodity / Energy / Financial / Prop & Build / Select Growth / Select Inc / Comm Pension	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Save & Prosper Securities Ltd.			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Capital / Financial Secs / Investment / Univ Growth / Japan Growth / US Growth / General / High Yield / Income	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Scotbits Securities Ltd.			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Scotbits / Scotyield / Scotgrowth / Scotshares / Scotfunds / Scotinvest	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Henry Schroder Wagg & Co Ltd. 120 Cheapside, London, EC2 01-248 8299			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Capital / Do Accum / Income / Do Accum / General / Do Accum / Europe / Do Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Scottish Equitable Fund Managers Ltd. 28 St Andrews Square, Edinburgh 031-556 9101			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equitable	34.2	36.4	6.50
		Slater Walker Trust Management Ltd. Jersey Britannia Group. 1 Ldn Wall Bldgs, EC2M 5QL			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Jersey Exempt / Do Extra Inc / Do High Inc / Do Cap of Ldn / Do Gold & G / Do Int Gr / Do New Issue / Do Prop & Co / Do Int Gro	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Slater Walker Trust Management Ltd. 1 Ldn Wall Bldgs, EC2M 5QL			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Growth / Assets / Capital Accum / Cap Growth / Far East Fnd / Financial / General Fund / Gold Shares / Int Growth / Nth Sea / Commodity / Raw Materials / High Income	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Stewart Unit Trust Managers. 45 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh. 031-226 3271			
60.0	32.2	American	48.0	52.4	2.70
100.0	52.7	British Cap	83.2	90.4	4.35
		Sun Alliance Management Ltd. Sun Alliance Hse, Horsham, Sussex 0403 64141			
118.0	106.0	Exempt Eq Tst	118.0	124.9	4.77
74.3	46.9	Family Fund	62.1	66.1	3.19
		Target Trust Managers Ltd. Target Hse, Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296 5941			
28.4	15.1	Consumer	21.2	22.6	7.31
53.8	31.4	Financial	44.7	48.0	4.66
34.4	15.5	Equity	25.6	27.5	6.89
141.1	81.1	Exempt	117.2	121.4	6.31
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Accum (3) / Growth / International / Do Re-invest / Investment	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
128.0	72.0	Professional (3)	103.1	107.3	5.84
18.6	11.0	Income	16.1	17.2	8.98
13.2	9.9	Preference	10.8	11.6	14.89
		Target Trust Managers (Scotland) Ltd. 19 Atholl Crescent, Edinburgh, 3 031-229 8621			
[illegible]	14.6	Eagle	21.9	23.4	3.33
[illegible]	16.8	Thistle	26.4	28.2	7.65
44.6	27.9	Claymore Fnd	40.2	42.6	3.08
		TSB Unit Trust Managers Ltd. 21 Chantry Way, Andover, Hants. Andover 62188			
31.7	15.6	General	23.3	25.1	4.33
37.0	17.8	Do Accum	31.8	34.0	4.33
59.4	45.9	Scottish	54.1	58.9	3.07
59.4	45.9	Do Accum	54.1	58.9	3.07
		Transatlantic & General Securities. 99 New London Rd, Chelmsford 0245 51651			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Barbican (4) / Do Accum / Barrington Fund / Do Accum / Buckingham (4) / Do Accum / Colemco / Do Accum / Endeavour / Glen Fund (2) / Do Accum / G chester / Ldn & Brux / Marlborough / Do Accum / Merlin (1) / Do Accum / Merlin Yield / Do Accum / Vanguard (2) / Do Accum / Wickmoor / Do Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Trident Funds. (Schlesinger Trust Managers Ltd.) 140 South St, Dorking. Dorking 86441			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Performance / Income Fund / Inc Wdrawl / Int Growth / Amer Growth / Ntl Yield Fnd	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Tyndall Managers Ltd. 18 Canynge Rd, Bristol. 0272 32241			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Income / Do Accum / Capital / Do Accum / Canynge Fund / Do Accum / Exempt* / Do Accum / Local Auth* / Do Accum / Int Earn Fnd / Do Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Tyndall National & Commercial. 18 Canynge Rd, Bristol. 0272 32241			
[illegible]	66.4	Income (2)	101.2	106.0	[illegible]
[illegible]	80.0	Do Accum	126.4	132.4	[illegible]
102.8	52.2	Capital (2)	89.2	93.4	4.15
111.2	59.8	Do Accum	101.2	105.8	4.14
		Unit Trust Account & Management. 5-8 Mincing Lane, EC3M 01-623 4951			
95.0	62.0	Friars Hse Fnd	95.0	101.0	3.71
[illegible]	11.8	Gt Winchester	16.5	17.9	5.37
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Overseas	13.4	14.5	3.69
		Insurance Bonds and Funds			
		Abbey Life Assurance Co Ltd. 1-3 St Paul's Churchyard, EC4P 4DX 01-248 9111			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity Fund (3) / Do Accum (3) / Prop Fund (27) / Do Accum (27) / Select Fund (3) / Conv Fund / Money Fund / Pension Prop (27) / Do Select (3) / Do Security / Do Managed	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Albany Life Assurance Co Ltd. 31 Old Burlington Street, W1 01-437 5962			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Guar Mon Fnd / Do Accum / Equity Fnd / Do Accum / Property Fnd / Do Accum / Fix'd Int Fnd / Do Accum / Mult Inv Fnd / Do Accum / Guar Mon Pen / Do Accum / Property Pen / Do Accum / Fixed Int Pen / Do Accum / Mult Inv Pen / Do Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		AMEV Life Assurance Ltd. 4 Pavilion Bldgs, Brighton, BN1 1EL 0273 21917			
107.5	100.0	Triad Man Bond	104.3	110.4	..
		Atlantic Assurance. Atlantic Hse, Billingshurst, Sussex 040-381 3451			
[illegible]	[illegible]	All-Weather Ac / Do Capital / Investment Fnd / Pension Fnd / Conv Pension Fd / Man Pension Fd / Prop Pension Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Barclays Life Assurance Co. Unicorn Hse, 252 Romford Rd, E7 01-534 5544			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Barclaybonds	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Canada Life Assurance. Canada Hse, High St, Potters Bar, Herts. 77 51122			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity Growth / Retirement	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Cannon Assurance Ltd. 1 Olympic Way, Wembley, HA9 0NB. 01-902 8876			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity Units / Do Accum / Do Annuity / Prop Units / Do Accum / Exec Bal / Exec Equity / Exec Prop / Bal Bond / Equity Bond / Prop Bond / Bal Units	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		City of Westminster Assurance Society. 6 Whitehorse Rd, Croydon, CR0 2JA. 01-684 9664. Valuation last working day of month			
[illegible]	[illegible]	1st Unit / Prop Units	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		City of Westminster Assurance Co. 6 Whitehorse Rd, Croydon, CR0 2JA 01-684 9664. Valuation last working day of month			
46.1	41.7	W minster Units	42.0	44.1	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Land Bank / Speculator / Prop Annuity / Ins Tuition Bnd / Equity Fnd	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Cornhill Insurance. 32 Cornhill, London, EC3. 01-626 5410. Valuation 15th of month			
110.0	63.5	Capital Fnd	101.5	..	..
46.5	25.0	US Special	39.6	..	..
119.5	75.0	Man Grwth (25)	117.0	123.5	..
		Crown Life Fund Insurance Co. Addiscombe Rd, Croydon 01-686 4300			
113.0	91.3	Crown Brt Inv	113.0	..	..
		Crusader Insurance. Bowring Bldgs, Tower Place, EC3 01-626 8031. Valuation 1st Tuesday of month			
61.8	50.8	Crusader Prop	51.2	56.8	..
		Eagle Star Insurance/Midland Assurance. PO Box 173, NLA Tower, Croydon 01-681 1031			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Eagle Units	33.4	34.7	7.02
[illegible]	[illegible]	Midland Units	33.4	34.7	7.02
		Fidelity Life Assurance Ltd. 40 Charles II St, SW1 01-930 2404			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Am Grth Fnd (1) / Flexible Fnd / Inv of Trsts / Do Cap	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Guardian Royal Exchange Assurance Group. Royal Exchange, London, EC3. 01-283 7107			
[illegible]	131.9	Prop Bond	129.6	135.0	..
101.3	99.9	Pen Man Bonds	101.3	106.7	..
		Hambro Life Assurance. 7 Old Park Lane, London, W1. 01-499 0031			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fixed Int Fnd / Equity / Property / Managed Cap / Do Accum / Pen Prop Cap / Do Accum / Pen Man Cap / Do Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
112.3	100.0	Do Accum	112.3	118.2	..
		Hearts of Oak Benefit Society. Euston Rd, London, NW1. 01-387 5020			
35.2	25.6	Prop Bond	29.3	31.1	..
		Hill Samuel Life Assurance Ltd. NLA Twr, Addiscombe Rd, Croydon 01-686 4355			
[illegible]	121.8	HS Prop Units	119.1	125.1	..
[illegible]	76.4	Fortune Man (5)	107.0	112.7	..
102.0	100.0	Money Fnd	102.0	107.5	..
		Hodge Life Assurance Co Ltd. 114 116 St Mary St, Cardiff. 42577			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Hodge Bonds / Takeover / Hodge Life Eq / Mortgage Fnd / Conv High Yld / Overseas Fnd	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Imperial Life Assurance Co of Canada. Imperial Life Hse, London Rd, Guildford. 71255			
[illegible]	36.2	Growth Fnd (3)	44.7	48.6	..
41.5	30.8	Pension Fnd	36.8	40.0	..
		Individual Life Insurance Ltd. 45 South St, Eastbourne, BN21 4UT. 0323 36711			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equities / Fixed Int / Managed / Property / Money Fund / King & Shaxson / Commodity / Growth / Capital / Income / International	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Investment Annuity Life Assurance. 2 Devereux Court, London, WC2 01-353 5897			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Lion Equity / Do Accum / Lion Man Growth / Do Cap / Lion Prop Fnd / Lion High Yield / Do Equit Pen / Do Prop Pen / Do H Yld Pen	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Irish Life Assurance. 11 Finsbury Sq, London, EC2 01-628 8253			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Prop Modules / Do Growth (31) / Managed Fnd / Blue Chip Fnd	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Langham Life Assurance. Langham Hse, Finsbury Sq, EC2 01-628 5881			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Property Bnd / Spec Prop Fnd / Midas Bond (24) / Capital Accum / WISP (SpecMan)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Life & Equity Assurance Co Ltd. 1 Olympic Way, Wembley, HA9 0NB. 01-902 8876			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Secure Rel / Select Inv / Do 2nd / Gilt Fnd / Equity Fnd / Deposit Fnd	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Lloyds Life Assurance Ltd. 12 Leadenhall St, EC3M 7LS 01-623 6621			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Mult Growth Fnd / Opt 4 Equity / Do Property / Do High Yield / Do Managed / Do Deposit / Pen Dep Fnd / Do Equity Fnd / Do FI Fnd / Do Man Fnd / Do Prop Fnd	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Manufacturers Life Insurance. Manulife Hse, Stevenage, Herts. 0438 56101			
[illegible]	17.2	Manulife (5)	26.8	28.1	..
		Merchant Investors Assurance. 125 High Street, Croydon. 01-686 9171			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Conv Dep Bnd / Do Pension / Equity Bond / Do Pension / Managed Bond / Do Pension / Money Market / Do Pension / Property Bond / Do Pension	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		M & G Assurance. Three Quays, Tower Hill EC3R 6BQ 01-626 4588			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity Bond (4) / Do Bonus / Int'l Bnd (4) / Fam Bnd 1976 / Do 1977-80 / Do 1981-86 / Managed Bonds / Mirror Bonds / Pens Pen (5) / Prop Fnd (4)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Norwich Union Insurance Group. PO Box 4, Norwich, NR1 3NG. 0603 22200			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Norwich Man (3) / Do Equity (3) / Do Prop (3) / Do Fix Int (3) / Do Units (3)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Pearl-Montagu Assurance. 252 High Holborn, London, WC2 01-588 5464			
100.6	96.8	Prop Units	96.8	104.1	..
		Phoenix Assurance. 4-5 King William St, EC4 01-626 9876			
[illegible]	58.9	Wealth Ass Bnd	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
59.2	36.5	Ebor Ass (2)	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
[illegible]	39.0	Ebor Endow (32)	51.1	53.7	..
		Property Equity & Life Ass Co. 119 Crawford St, London, W1 01-486 0857			
[illegible]	[illegible]	R Silk Prop Bnd / Do Bal Ag Bnd / Do Series (2) / Do Managed / Do Equity Bnd / Do Fles Mny	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Property Growth Assurance. 111 Westminster Bridge Rd, SE1 7JF. 01-928 0381			
[illegible]	141.3	Prop Growth (29)	144.5	..	..
[illegible]	400.0	AG Bond (29)	409.0	..	..
[illegible]	42.6	Abb Nat PG (29)	327.0	..	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Shenley Inv (29) / Do Equity / Do Money / Ret Annuity (29) / Immed Ann (29)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Prudential Pensions Ltd. Holborn Bars, EC1N 2NH. 01-405 9222			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity	£ 14.78	15.16	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fixed Int	£ 11.32	11.58	..
19.60	16.46	Property	£ 17.07	17.60	..
		Reliance Mutual Insurance Society Ltd. Tunbridge Wells, Kent 0892 22271			
170.1	126.5	Rel Prop Bnd	143.1	..	..
		Save & Prosper Group. 4 Great St Helen's, EC3P 3EP. 01-554 8899			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Bal Bnd / Equity Bnd / Mini Bond (4)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	100.3	Prop Fnd (30)	106.2	111.7	..
		Schroder Life Group. 18-24 Maltravers St, WC2 01-836			
96.9	100.0	Deposit Bnd (5)	96.9	102.1	
101.9	100.0	Fixed Interest	101.4	106.8	
93.3	63.6	Flexible Fnd	88.1	92.7	
155.1	87.1	Equity Fnd	155.1	..	
137.7	86.6	Do 2nd Ser	137.7	147.1	
133.1	100.0	PenEndCap	128.8	135.7	
142.0	100.0	PenEndAccum	130.8	137.8	
96.8	100.0	Prop Fnd (3)	96.8	102.0	
		Scottish Widows Fund & Life Assurance. 9 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh. 031-225			
278.7	165.7	Inv Policy	278.7	285.4	
		Standard Life Assurance Co. PO Box 62, 3 George St, Edinburgh 031-225			
91.9	41.8	Unit Endowm't	91.9	..	
		Sun Life of Canada (UK) Ltd. 2-4 Cockspur St, SW1. 01-930			
134.1	70.7	Maple Leaf (3)	122.3	..	
126.8	102.8	Personal Pens	133.5	..	
		Target Life Assurance. Target Hse, Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296			
100.4	100.0	Deposit Inc	95.0	100.2	
107.4	98.2	Fixed Interest	95.4	100.9	
95.1	80.2	Man Fnd Acc	92.3	97.8	
93.1	80.0	Do Income	88.1	92.8	
130.0	86.0	Prop Bnd Inv	88.0	..	
98.0	93.2	Do Income	88.0	94.4	
143.0	99.0	Do Accum	102.0	..	
53.2	30.7	Ret Ann Pen Cap	43.6	47.0	
57.5	32.9	Do Accum	48.6	52.2	
		Trident Life. Renslade Hse, Gloucester. 0452			
107.2	81.0	Trident Man	104.4	110.0	
118.1	93.5	Do Guar Man	115.2	121.4	
107.4	102.0	Do Property	107.4	113.1	
90.0	58.3	Do Equity	81.7	86.1	
110.9	89.9	Do High Yield	108.6	114.4	
102.7	100.0	Do Money	102.7	108.3	
100.5	100.0	DoFiscalFnd	100.5	106.0	
112.0	25.5	Do Bonds	45.5	48.5	
93.30	82.10	Gilt Edged(f)	89.50	..	
		Tyndall Assurance. 18 Canynge Rd, Bristol. 0272			
145.4	79.4	Prop Fnd (19)	84.8	..	
125.8	75.4	3 Way Fnd (19)	94.8	..	
		Vanbrugh Life Assurance Ltd. 41-43 Maddox St, London, W1R 9LA 01-499			
143.5	75.6	Equity Fnd	123.9	130.5	
105.6	100.0	Fixed Int Fnd	104.6	110.2	
103.0	100.0	Property Fnd	99.1	104.4	
100.0	93.6	Cash Fund	100.0	105.3	
102.3	72.9	Managed Fnd	92.7	98.7	
		Welfare Insurance. The Leas, Folkestone, Kent. 0303			
133.0	100.0	Capital Growth	130.3	..	
94.4	71.7	Flexible Fnd	78.3	..	
100.3	81.5	Inv Fnd	97.0	..	
131.9	73.4	Prop Fnd	73.4	..	
98.7	73.9	Money Maker	74.4	..	
		Offshore and International Funds			
		Abacus Arbuthnot Unit Trust Management. 1 Broad St, St Helier, Jersey, C.I.			
87.0	35.7	Red Part Pref	80.0	85	
		Barbican Managers (Jersey) Ltd. PO Box 63, St Helier, Jersey, C.I.			
99.6	80.3	Europ'n Ster	93.0	98	
		Barclays Unicorn International (Ch Is) Ltd. Church St, St Helier, Jersey			
44.0	35.7	Jer Guer O'seas	44.0	46	
		Barclays Unicorn International (I.O.M.) 30 Victoria St, Douglas, I O M.			
66.7	34.8	Aust Ext Tst	51.1	54	
23.8	13.0	Aust Min Tst	20.4	21	
50.4	40.0	Isle of Man Tst	46.6	49	
43.0	16.7	Manx Mutual	22.9	24	
		Brandts & Grindley (Jersey) Ltd. PO Box 80, Broad St, St Helier.			
142.0	78.0	Brandt Jersey	104.0	11[illegible]	
139.0	88.0	Do Accum	122.0	13[illegible]	
		Brandts Ltd. 36 Fenchurch St, London, EC3.			
70.84	53.33	O'seas Fnd	$ 68.14	..	
		Calvin Bullock Ltd. 60 Bishopsgate, London, EC2.			
829.0	595.0	Bullock Fnd	828.0	9[illegible]	
631.0	516.0	Canadian Fnd	620.0	7[illegible]	
297.0	238.0	Canadian Inv	297.0	34	
209.0	140.0	Div Shares	209.0	23	
734.0	489.0	Ny Venture Fnd	734.0	83	
		Charterhouse Japhet. 1 Paternoster Row, EC4.			
31.90	24.30	Adiropa	DM 29.60	31	
53.70	29.20	Adiverba	DM 52.10	54	
32.90	25.50	Fondak	DM 31.30	32	
24.10	18.90	Fondis	DM 23.80	25	
64.50	39.00	Gen O'seas Swfr	44.50	48	
69.29	56.50	Hispano	$ 63.21	66	
		Cornhill Insurance (Guernsey) Ltd. PO Box 157, St Julians Ct, St Peters Port			
151.0	91.0	Int Cap Man (20)	139.0	1[illegible]	
		Ebor Management (Jersey). 37 Broad St, St Helier, Jersey			
104.4	371.3	Channel Cap	170.4	1[illegible]	
102.8	64.6	Channel Isles	88.4	1[illegible]	
		Eurosyndicat Group. Agents: N. M. Rothschild and Sons, New Ct, St Swithin's Lane, EC4			
1,772	1,382	Eurunion Luxfr	1,706	..	
339.0	253.0	Fin Union Luxfr	323.0	3[illegible]	
		First General Unit Managers. 91 Pembroke Rd, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4			
50.3	34.2	Bnk 1st Gen (3)	47.6	..	
116.3	100.3	Do Gilt (2)	113.4	1[illegible]	
		Hambros (Guernsey) Ltd. PO Box 86, St Peter Port, Guernsey.			
115.9	62.9	Channel Isle	118.9	1[illegible]	
		Individual Life Insurance Ltd. 45 South St, Eastbourne BN21 4UT.			
106.5	100.0	Foreign Fix Int	106.5	1[illegible]	
105.6	100.0	Do Equity	100.1	[illegible]	
		Kavanday Bermuda Management. Atlas Hse, PO Box 1029, Hamilton 5			
1.41	1.15	Bishopsgate N.A.	1.41	..	
		Lamont Investment Management. 8 St Georges St, Douglas, I.O.M.			
35.0	17.4	Int Income (3)	32.1	..	
56.9	27.9	Do Growth (10)	52.7	..	
		Manx International Management. 39 Victoria St, Douglas, I.O.M.			
155.9	87.0	Gir Pacific	115.4	..	
46.6	34.5	Manx Int Inc	45.2	..	
102.1	71.1	Sch Growth (27)	73.2	..	
		M & G Group. Three Quays, Tower Hill, EC3R 6BQ			
96.8	55.8	Island Fnd	77.2	..	
130.6	70.1	Do Accum †	97.8	..	
1.88	1.29	Atlantic Exp	$ 1.81	..	
2.26	1.10	Aust & Gen	$ 1.69	..	
		Old Court Fund Managers Ltd. PO Box 58, St Julians Ct, Guernsey.			
45.4	36.6	Old Ct Fn (34)	45.2	..	
100.8	85.9	Old Ct Int (35)	98.7	..	
102.3	81.1	Smaller Co's	97.2	..	
		Oliver Beard & Co. 31 Malew St, Castletown, I.O.M.			
109.5	81.9	Brit Conv Tst	108.9	..	
116.8	100.0	Conv Rights Tst	116.8	..	
		4 Irish Place, Gibraltar.			
144.3	110.0	Gib Int Tst	118.3	..	
138.5	76.1	Key City Inv	108.3	..	
78.1	24.9	Warrant Fnd	69.1	..	
		Slater Walker (Jersey). 2-6 Church St, St Helier, Jersey.			
238.8	138.7	Growth Inv	218.[illegible]	..	
67.3	43.0	Int'l Fnd	58.[illegible]	..	
142.4	100.0	Jersey Energy	141.[illegible]	..	
		Target Trust Managers (Cayman). PO Box 719, Grand Cayman, Cayman Is.			
1.03	0.43	Offshore	$ 0.[illegible]	..	
		Tyndall Overseas Funds Managers. PO Box 1256, Hamilton, Bermuda.			
[illegible]	0.91	Overseas	$ 1.[illegible]	..	
1.82	1.12	Do Accum	$ 1.[illegible]	..	
		Tyndall Managers (Jersey) Ltd. 43 La Motte St, St Helier, Jersey.			
10.60	5.63	Overseas Str	£ 7.[illegible]	..	
12.45	7.60	Do Accum	£ 9.[illegible]	..	

* Ex dividend. * Not available to the public. † Guernsey gross yield. ‡ Bid price. a Ex all. c Dealings suspended. divided. f Cash value for £100 premium.

Dealing or valuation days—(1) Monday. (2) Tuesday. (3) Wednesday. (4) Thursday. (5) Friday. (8) July 16. (9) July 25. (10) June 30. (15) July 16. (16) July 8. (19) 1st of month. (20) 15th of month. (21) 2nd Thursday of month. (22) 3rd Thursday of month. (23) 4th Thursday of month. (24) 1st Tuesday of month. (26) 4th Thursday of month. (27) 1st Wednesday of month. (28) Last day of month. (29) 3rd working day of month. (30) 15th of month. (31) 1st working day of month. (33) 1st day of Feb, May, Aug, Nov. (34) Last working day of month. (35) 2nd of each month. (36) 14th of month. (37) 21st of each month. Wednesday of month. (38) 2nd Wednesday of month.

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ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings Began, June 30. Dealings End, July 11. § Contango Day, July 14. Settlement Day, July 22.

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High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
176	45	AAH	114	-1	12.8	10.5	5.9
103	22	AB Electronic	31	..	6.1	19.8	2.1
48	35	AC Cars	40	..	1.3	3.3	15.4
95	43	AD Intl	90	-5	3.3	3.7	9.2
66	15	AGB Research	34	..	3.1	9.1	8.7
250	83	APV Hldgs	205	..	13.0	6.3	7.9
60	21	AVP Ind	48	..	3.2a	6.7	4.6
30	12	Aaronson Bros	30	+1	2.8b	9.2	7.8
18	9½	Abrasives Int	12	..	2.2	17.9	4.1
103¾	40	Acrow	58	..	5.2b	9.0	9.3
74½	29½	Do A	57	-4	5.2b	9.2	9.1
25	14	Adams Food	24	+1	1.6	6.8	12.2
30	5	Adda Int	5½	..	..	..	2.0
170	67	Adwest Group	122	..	9.2b	7.5	6.7
48	8	Aeron't & Gen.	18	..	1.5	8.3	8.8
115	65	Airfix Ind	98	..	4.0	4.1	11.4
66	27½	Do NV	47	..	4.0	8.6	8.3
90	22	Albright & W	67	+6	5.3	7.8	4.8
78	38	Alcan 10½%	£64½	..	1050	16.3	..
85	64	Do 8% Cnv	£70	..	900	12.9	..
48	25	Allen E.	47	● +1	5.3	11.3	4.3
49	12	Allen W. G.	23	..	3.5	15.1	5.8
37½	14½	Alliance Alders	27½	+½	1.7	6.1	7.5
130	28	Allied Colloids	80	-4	2.1	2.6	10.0
20	7½	Allied Insulators	14½	..	1.6	11.3	4.5
27	9	Allied Plant	18	..	1.1	6.2	14.3
87	30	Allied Polymer	65	..	8.4	9.4	7.3
41	7	Alpine Hldgs	18	+1	..	..	8.2
186	133	Amal Metal	175	+1	18.0	10.3	1.9
70	15	Amal Power	35	..	4.7	13.4	4.3
44½	16	Amber Day	26	..	2.2	8.3	3.5
11	6½	Amber Ind Hldgs	7	..	0.6	8.9	3.7
54	24	Anchor Chem	30	..	5.2	17.5	3.7
186	82	Anderson Strath	113	● ..	13.1	11.6	5.6
816	325	Anglo Amer Ind	806	..	35.5	4.4	11.0
41	24	Ang Swiss Hldgs	34	..	4.7	13.8	3.1
135	52½	Anglo-Thai Corp	114	+5	2.0	1.7	5.3
85	13	Anglowest	25	..	2.4	9.7	10.7
51	30	Appleyard	33	-1	5.5	16.6	4.7
37	10½	Aquascutum 'A'	19	..	1.7	9.2	6.2
75	29	Arlington Mtr	63	+1	8.8	13.9	5.5
104	27	Armitage Shanks	41	..	6.1	14.9	9.2
47½	13	Armst Equip	38½	+1½	2.4	6.3	6.7
57	34	Ash Spinning	34	..	5.6	16.4	3.6
50	39	Asprey 5½% Pf	34½	..	6.3	18.1	..
60	22½	Ass Biscuit	63	+9	3.7	5.9	9.3
67	19½	Do A	55	+8	3.7	6.7	8.1
16	3½	Ass Brit Eng	3½	..	..	..	5.7
68½	21½	Ass Brit Food	56½	+2½	2.4	4.1	9.9
62½	34	Ass Engineer	49	+3	5.6	11.5	6.4
39½	24	Ass Fisheries	25	..	5.3	21.0	2.0
37½	8½	Ass Leisure	21	+1	3.2	15.0	5.6
166	82	Ass News	83	+7	6.2	7.5	5.4
37	18	Ass Paper	24	● +1½	4.0	16.7	2.2
169	61	Ass Port Cement	143	-15	10.4	7.3	12.1
73	22	Ass Tel 'A'	40	+1	6.0	15.0	6.2
33	27	Ass Tooling	29	..	2.8	9.7	3.4
26	12	Astbury & Mdley	17	..	1.3	7.8	3.5
138	55	Atlas Stone	85	..	6.8	13.3	5.0
25	11	Attwood Garage	11	..	2.2	19.6	8.5
72	18	Audiotronic	35	..	5.2	14.7	8.4
39½	13	Ault & Wiborg	27½	+½	3.2	11.8	6.5
15	7¾	Aurora Hldgs	8½	+½	1.2b	14.1	3.0
55	38	Austin E.	42	● ..	4.5	10.6	3.9
50	12	Automotive Pd	23½	+2½	2.3	9.9	4.4
113	41½	Averys	96½	+1½	6.7	7.0	8.6
121	29	Avon Rubber	40	+6	..	..	3.0
57	17	BBA Grp	44	-1	3.7	8.5	8.5
112	48	BPB Ind	93	● +3	8.8	9.5	6.2
42½	14	BPM Hldgs 'A'	26	..	3.7	14.2	5.8
55½	22¾	BOC Int	45½	+3½	3.7b	8.2	7.4
23½	4	BSG Int	9½	+½	..	..	11.3
105	21	BSR Ltd	69	+6	3.2	4.6	6.5
130	39½	BTR Ltd	112	+6	5.1	4.5	8.0
116	29	Babcock & W	105	+8	2.7	2.6	10.0
90	18	Bacal Const	18	f ..	..e	..	2.0
35	17	Baggeridge Brk	19	..	2.7	14.0	5.0
12	4¼	Bailey C.H. Ord	5½	..	0.3	4.9	2.8
98	29	Baird W.	57	-1	11.6	20.4	4.0
67	16	Baker, Perkins	41	+5	4.0	9.8	15.2
32	19	Bambergers	23	..	3.3	9.3	3.1
17	2½	Barker & Dbson	4½	+1	..e	..	4.9
338	132	Barlow Rand	337	-1	12.8	3.8	9.7
75	11	Barr & Wallace	33	..	4.2	12.8	9.3
75	11	Do A	32	..	4.2	13.2	9.0
115	34	Barratt Devs	88	+2	9.0b	10.1	4.4
44¼	19½	Barrow Hepbn	34	+5	4.4b	13.1	4.3
48	16	Barton & Sons	29	+3	3.8	13.2	3.0
88	19	Bassett G.	60	● +1	6.5	10.8	8.8
49½	17½	Bath & P'land	36	+½	3.7	10.3	5.7
125	27	Baxter Fell	76	..	7.7	10.1	2.6
51	24	Beales J.	27	..	3.1	11.4	8.5
58	30	Beatson Clark	44	..	5.8	13.1	8.9
32	11	Beauford Grp	17	..	3.8	22.4	6.2
360	35	Beaverbrook	55	..	0.5e	0.9	..
76	12	Do A	33	+3	0.5e	1.5	..
55	27½	Beckman A.	44	..	6.7	15.3	3.3
311	110	Beecham Grp	280	+20	7.9	2.8	12.3
102	42	Befam Grp	73	+3	4.9	6.8	13.6
62	13	Bemrose Corp	40	..	3.4a	11.4	3.9
34	10	Benn Bros	15½	..	2.4	13.5	4.3
120	35	Bensons Int	96	..	6.1	6.8	4.0
185	37	Berisf'ds S. & W.	135	+6	8.9	5.7	7.4
45	15	Berisfords	28	..	3.0	10.6	3.8
41	16	Berwick Timpo	25	..	2.3	7.6	3.0
187	65½	Bestobell	133	+12	10.9b	8.2	6.3
60	31½	Bett Bros	58	..	3.9	6.7	5.0
129	53	Bibby J.	67	+5	7.4	11.1	6.3
45	19	Billam J.	43	..	4.5	10.5	5.5
52	16	Birmid Qualcst	40	..	5.1	12.7	7.4
45	18	Birm'gham Mint	40	..	..	..	2.5
125	90	Bishops Stores	120	..	2.6	2.2	14.5
82	33	Do A NV	65	..	2.6	4.0	6.4
165	83	Black & Edg'tn	120	..	7.7	6.4	8.1
30	9	Blackman & C.	13	..	2.2	16.6	2.8
149	27½	Blackwd Hodge	122	+12	4.3	3.5	8.3
53	11	Blackwood Mt	14	..	..e	..	3.9
109	38	Blagden & N	99	-1	7.7	7.7	4.0
59	26	Blundell Perm	30	+2	3.4	11.3	4.5
16	5½	Boardman K. O.	6½	..	1.2	18.6	2.5
14	3½	Bodycote	10½	..	1.0	9.0	3.4
20	7	Bolton Textile	10	..	1.8	18.3	3.2
21	15	Bonas Webb	16	..	0.8	5.1	..
170	56	Booker McCon	146	+6	8.1	5.5	7.0
143	30	B'sey & Hwkes	82	..	5.8	7.1	5.3
110	53	Boot H.	103	..	9.7	9.4	6.0
271	90	Boots	204	+13	6.9	3.4	11.6
17	7	Boulton W.	12½	..	1.5	12.2	6.0
170¼	54	Bowater Corp	141	r +13	10.9	7.7	6.7
45	16	Bowthorpe Hldgs	31	-1	1.9	6.1	6.4
45	15	Braby Leslie	35	..	4.4b	12.8	2.8
70	40	Brady G.	52	..	7.3	14.1	4.6
60	29	Do A	47	-2	7.3	15.6	4.2
23	11	Braid Grp	11	..	1.6	14.3	4.3
138	25	Braithwaite	73	..	8.8	12.1	6.6
85	37	Brammer H.	79	..	6.1	7.7	8.0
84	35	Bransway	66	..	3.0	5.5	3.0
80	22	Bremner	40	+2	5.1	12.7	7.3
66	23	Brent Chem Int	59	+1	2.3	3.9	7.8
72	12	Brickhouse Dud	22	● ..	2.7	12.3	4.9
166	86	Bridon	139	+10	8.5b	6.1	6.7
57	40	Brierleys	44	f ..	3.2	7.3	10.3
31	15½	Bright J. Grp	29	..	3.2	10.9	3.5
12	3½	Bristol Plant	5	● ..	0.9	18.3	7.7
343	150	Brit Am Tob	321	+16	15.6b	4.8	6.8
58	23	Brit Car Auctn	37	+2	3.4	9.1	7.7
18	9	Brit Enkalon	14	..	0.4	2.6	4.8
370	135	Brit Home Strs	303	+17	10.7	3.5	15.8
49	13	Brit Ind Hldgs	18½	..	2.1	11.2	4.8
137	58	BICC	107	+7	9.9	9.4	8.7
21½	5½	BLMC	9½	..	..e	..	..
43	14	Brit Mohair	20	..	3.4	17.0	5.9
49	18½	Brit Printing	38½	+1	4.8	12.3	3.9
41½	19	Brit Rollmakers	24½	-½	3.5	14.4	6.8
79	39	Brit Sim Spec	68	● -1	7.1	10.4	7.0
455	155	Brit Sugar	350	+15	11.8	3.4	5.2
31	13	Brit Tar Prod	25	..	2.1	8.2	4.4
68	25	Brit Vita	59	..	5.1	8.7	4.4
49	19	Brittains	31	+1	4.5	14.5	3.1
180	52	Brockhouse J.	120	+5	17.9	14.9	4.3
74½	15	Brocks Grp	34	+1	3.8	11.2	3.7
806	324	Broken Hill	745	-5	17.2	2.3	38.4
65½	16	Brook St. Bur	28	+1	0.6a	23.1	3.2
51	22	Brooke Bond	36½	+3½	3.3	9.0	..
28	9	Brooke Tool	13	..	..	..	..
85	26	Brotherhood P.	40	..	8.8b	21.9	6.8
80	33	Brown & Tawse	52	● +2	3.1	6.0	4.3
38	9	BBK	13	-1	..	..	..
31	4	Brown Bros Cp	7	+¼	0.8	10.7	6.3
121	41	Brown J.	58	+9	..	..	..
56	19	Brown N. Inv	23	● ..	3.9	16.8	3.2
38	24	Broxlea Hldgs	24	..	2.1	8.7	7.4
100	15	Bruntons	87	+1	8.0	9.2	8.5
35	10	Bryant Hldgs	19	+2	2.6	13.8	5.9
11	1½	Budge Bros	1¾	f ..	1.0b	55.4	2.0
51	29	Bullough Ltd	58	..	6.4	11.0	4.7
29	10	Bulmer & Lumb	17½	● ..	3.6	20.5	5.9
100	67	Bunzl Pulp	84	+2	5.7	6.7	3.6
73	19	Burco Dean	66	..	4.5	6.8	8.6
70	14	Burgess Prod	25	..	4.9	19.8	4.4
50	24	Burnett H'shire	43	▲ ..	4.1	9.6	3.0
47	21	Do A NV	42	● ..	4.1	9.8	2.9
36	8	Burns And'son	16	..	1.7	10.3	3.6
15¼	5¼	Burrell & Co	6¼	+½	0.9	14.7	4.3
300	135	Burt Boulton	166	..	13.9	8.4	3.1
70	30	Burton Grp	65	..	6.8	10.5	34.2
113	28	Do A	54	+4	6.8	12.6	45.0
45	24	Bury & Masco	30	..	5.8	19.2	4.4
17	4	Business Com	4	f ..	0.7b	17.5	5.0
34½	9	Butterfld-Harvy	20	..	2.7	13.3	30.3

MISCELLANEOUS

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
65	30	Peko Wallsend	300	..	..	..	..

a Ex dividend. a Ex all. b Forecast dividend. c Corrected price. e Interim payment passed. f Price at suspension. g Dividend and yield exclude a special payment. h Bid for company. k Pre-merger figures. n Forecast earnings. p Ex capital distribution. r Ex rights. s Ex scrip or share split. t Tax free. y Price adjusted for late dealings. .. No significant data.

THE TIMES SHARE INDICES

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* Flat interest yield.

Law Report July 1 1975 — Court of Appeal

Public nuisance: counsel's responsibility

Regina v Madden

Before Lord Justice James, Lord Justice Geoffrey Lane and Mr Justice Brabin

[*Judgment delivered June 24*]

The commission of a public nuisance is still an offence known to the law and a person perpetrating a bomb hoax by telephone may be shown to have committed that offence.

The Court of Appeal so stated and also stated that, if a case is *listed for trial at a place with* insufficient access to authorities, it was counsel's responsibility to alert the court to the fact and seek to have the case transferred to a court where the necessary material could be made available.

Their Lordships allowed an appeal by Michael John Madden, aged 27, from conviction at Grimsby Crown Court (Recorder: Mr G. G. A. Whitehead) in March on a count charging him with public nuisance in that he in November, 1974, at Scunthorpe did an act not warranted by law, namely, made a statement "I have got two minutes to pass a message there is a 200lb bomb at BOS plant [*a steel works*] *on the* Anchor" whereby the comfort of the public was endangered. He was sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment. The jury acquitted *him on counts, relating to the* same incident, of threatening to damage property and using threatening words.

Mr Richard Insall for the appellant; Mr R. A. D. Payne and Mr Calder Jose for the Crown.

LORD JUSTICE JAMES said that, there being no dispute about the evidence *in the witness'* statements, they were read to the jury. No witness was called for the prosecution and the appellant did not give or call evidence.

The evidence relied on by the prosecution was that the appellant made a 999 telephone call, which was answered by a telephonist at the exchange, to whom he said the words charged. He was asked to give the number from which he was telephoning but he did not do so and replaced *the receiver. The telephonist kept* the control in position to enable the box from which the call was made to be traced by an engineer; she informed the engineer of the fact *of the call* and the police of its contents.

The police told the chief security officer at the steel works. His evidence was that he took immediate action in accordance with standing orders which entailed a search by eight security men of all entrances to the plant and all motor vehicles parked in the vicinity. The search continued for just over an hour, until the police discovered that the call was a hoax.

The only other evidence was that of the police officer who interviewed the appellant and eventually obtained an admission from him that he had made the call. There was no evidence that any other person had obtained knowledge of the telephone message passed by the appellant; nor was there any evidence of any other persons being in the works or taking any action as a result of the call.

The grounds of appeal were that the facts did not in law constitute the offence of public nuisance and, alternatively, that there was no evidence on which the jury could have concluded that the appellant was guilty of *the offence.*

Before the Crown Court the case was avowedly put as a test case, but it was presented with a citation of authority limited to a *passage in Archbold's Criminal Pleading, Evidence and Practice* and one in *Smith and Hogan's Criminal Law*. Excellent though those works might be, they were *not sufficient, by any means,* to enable a court to consider properly the law involved in the case put forward

Sadly enough it appeared that very little preparation and thought had gone into the presentation of the case before the Crown Court. Their Lordships had every sympathy with the recorder who was placed in such a difficult situation. He was completely without the help which he ought to have had from counsel.

The suggestion advanced that the necessary equipment for research—authorities—was not available at Grimsby did not bear examination. If a case was listed *for trial at a place where there* was no sufficient reference books, or library, no sufficient access to authority, then it was counsel's responsibility to alert the court to that fact and to seek to get the case transferred to a court where the necessary material could be made available to the court.

The recorder had directed the jury in terms which followed the presentation of the case by the prosecution, that the question they had to consider was whether the public *were likely to be affected* by the appellant's action, as distinct from whether they were in fact affected by it.

Mr Insall had drawn their Lordships' *attention to Attorney General v P.Y.A. Quarries Ltd* ([1957] 2 QB 169), but a review of the law of public nuisance was unnecessary in the present case.

It was still an offence known to the law of this country to commit a public nuisance. A person who made a bogus telephone call falsely giving information as *to the presence of explosives* might, if there was evidence, be shown to have committed an offence of public nuisance.

The appellant's conviction had *to be quashed, first, because the* directions to the jury erred in that they were invited to consider the potential rather than the actual danger, or potential rather than *actual risk to the comfort* of the public and, secondly, because a properly directed jury could not possibly have concluded on the evidence that a considerable number of persons were affected by the appellant's action.

For a public nuisance to be proved the prosecution had to establish that the public—which meant a considerable number of persons, or a section of the public as distinct from an individual or so—were affected. The appeal had to succeed and the conviction had to be quashed.

Solicitors: Registrar of Criminal Appeals; Mr Leslie M. Bell, Grimsby.

Queen's Bench Division

Local authority's duty to take action

Regina v Kerrier District Council, Ex parte Guppys (Bridport) Ltd

Before Lord Widgery, Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice Waller and Mr Justice Kilner Brown

[*Judgment delivered June 27*]

Where a local authority are requested to make an order for the repair or reconstruction of an *unfit house under section 9* of the Housing Act, 1957, in the case of premises capable of repair at a reasonable cost or under section 16 *in* the case of premises not capable of repair, they are obliged to take positive action under the Act and cannot remain inactive or merely carry out repairs under the Public Health Act, 1936, even though they might be faced with the problem of rehousing the occupiers as a result.

The Divisional Court so held on *a motion for an order of mandamus* by Guppys (Bridport) Ltd, the owners of two houses in Redruth, Cornwall, directed against Kerrier District Council requiring them to serve notices under section 9(1) or section 16(1) of the Housing Act, 1957.

Section 9(1) provides that where a local authority are satisfied that a house is unfit for human habitation "they shall, unless they are satisfied that it is not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit, *serve upon the* person having control of the house a notice—(a) requiring him . . . to execute the works specified."

Section 16(1) provides that where a local authority are satisfied that a house is unfit and is not capable of being rendered fit "they shall serve upon the *person having control of the house* . . . notice of the time . . . and place at which the condition of the house and any offer with respect to the carrying out of works, or the future user of the house", would be considered. By section 16(4) the local authority can accept undertakings from an owner to carry out the works and *subsection (5) provides that he* would obtain possession from a protected tenant.

Mr Robert Pryor for the applicants; Mr Anthony Dinkin for the local authority.

The LORD CHIEF JUSTICE said that it was common ground the houses were *unfit for human* habitation but that it was not clear whether they were capable of being made fit at a reasonable expense. Both the local authority and the applicants were dissatisfied with the situation and the reason that no one had taken effective action was the housing *shortage.* The applicants wanted to make one good house out of the two unfit ones and could not do that without vacant possession. The local authority had no vacant *accommodation and had therefore* made no move to require the occupants to give up possession. All that they had done was to require the applicants to make good the roofs under the *Public* Health Act, 1936.

The applicants were asking the housing authority to take action *against them* under section 9 or section 16 with a view to building a new house. The authority claimed that they had a discretion whether or not to take action and would proceed *instead under* the Public Health Act, which would not involve moving the occupiers.

The *applicants contended* that the local authority were obliged to take action regarding an unfit house under section 9 if the house could be made fit at reasonable expense and under section 16 if it were not. They said that it was mandatory and that the authority were bound to take one course or the other. The local *authority denied that they were* so bound.

It was not easy to contend that *there was a discretion* because of the word "shall" in the sections. *The provisions were clearly* mandatory and the local authority could not claim the right to choose whether or not to take action.

His Lordship felt sympathy with the local authority because of the housing pressures on them, but once the condition of an unfit house was brought to their attention they were bound to do something about it.

The local authority had contended that where they had powers under both the Housing *Acts and the Public Health Act* they had the choice which to apply. But in *Salford City Council v McNally* (*The Times*, June 25), Lord Wilberforce said that the Public Health Act code and the Housing Act code provided two separate systems which might have to be separately met. Accordingly the local authority could not choose between the two statutes.

The applicants had made out a case of default by the local authority, but as the court did *not know whether the houses* could be made fit at a reasonable expense no precise order would be made and the local authority would be invited to apply whichever *duty was appropriate in line* with the principles stated.

Mr Justice Waller and Mr Justice Kilner Brown agreed.

Solicitors: Hollowell & Bollam, Weymouth; Sharpe, Pritchard & Co for Mr F. J. Pearson, Camborne.

Planning applications capital expenditure

E. C. C. Quarries Ltd v Watkins (Inspector of Taxes)

Before Mr Justice Brightman

[Judgment delivered June 26]

Chartered accountants' principles of commercial accounting are not the governing factor in deciding whether a particular item is capital or revenue expenditure because *that is a question of law.* Mr Justice Brightman held that expenses incurred by a quarrying company in making unsuccessful applications for planning permission *to extract sand and gravel* from land owned by the company were items of capital expenditure for the purposes of corporation tax and thus were not deductible in computing profits.

The company's appeal, by way of case stated, from the decision of the special commissioners was dismissed.

Mr C. N. Beattie, QC, and Mrs Hilda Wilson for the company; Mr Michael Nolan, QC, and Mr Brian Davenport for the revenue.

HIS LORDSHIP said that the company had spent the sum *in* question, about £24,000, on certain applications for planning permission to enable it to exploit sand and gravel pits which belonged to it or of which it was in possession as tenant. The company's principal activities were the extraction and preparation for sale and the selling of stone or sand and gravel and the manufacture of products based on those materials for the building and construction industries. Among the company's sites were leasehold areas containing sand and gravel at Blackhill and Colaton Raleigh in Devon.

There was no planning permission for winning and working sand and gravel from Colaton Raleigh but there was for 32 acres of the Blackhill site and for some 60 acres at Rockbeare, a freehold site near Blackhill. It was estimated *that both Blackhill and* Rockbeare would be worked out by the mid-1970s, so the company in 1965 bought 150 acres at Straitgate and Lowlands Farms, Ottery *St Mary, as a reserve and a* medium-term replacement for the deposits at Rockbeare.

Applications for planning permission were then begun, to win and work sand and gravel from the Straitgate and Lowlands land and from a further 126 acres at Blackhill, or, as an alternative from 570 acres at Colaton Raleigh.

Planning permission, if granted for all three sites, would have enabled the company's activities to be pursued there till well after the year 2000, but the minister, after a public inquiry lasting 18 days, refused all three applications. Mineral deposits currently being worked were a wasting asset *and the company was continually* seeking replacements as medium and long-term reserves. Unchallenged evidence was given before the special commissioners that it *was in accordance with general* principles of commercial accounting to charge the expenses incurred as outgoings in the profit and loss account.

The company contended that though the expenses would not be allowable in all circumstances they were allowable here because (1) the object of the expenditure was not to create a new asset or an addition to an existing asset; (2) if planning permission had been granted it would merely have removed a fetter from property already in the company's ownership; (3) in accordance with the ordinary principles of commercial accounting the expenditure would *be properly chargeable against* revenue; (4) the purpose of removing a fetter on the use of existing mineral resources was to allow work to continue and preserve *the company's trade.*

It was submitted that permission was not itself an asset; it was not something one could buy because one had to go through the statutory procedure. *It was* argued that though a successful application no doubt enhanced the value of the land, the increased value bore no relation to the costs incurred in the applications; all that was sought was trading continuity, not expansion into a new field of endeavour, and such expenses were treated by accountants as working expenditure.

The revenue had three basic propositions: (1) the company's trading activity was the extraction and preparation of sand and gravel and the manufacture of building materials; (2) the sites themselves were capital assets; (3) expenditure on acquiring the land would be treated as capital. It was argued from those propositions that the expenditure in the present case was for the purpose of acquiring the right to extract sand and gravel over a period expected to commence six or seven years ahead and endure for 30 or 40 years thereafter. Planning permission was said to be an asset in that it rendered lawful what would otherwise be unlawful. The revenue cited licensing cases such as *Pendleton v Mitchells & Butlers Ltd* ((1968) 45 TC 341), *but a licence might be* a transferable asset, which planning permission clearly was not.

His Lordship adopted the approach of Mr Justice Megarry *in Pitt v Castlehill Warehousing Co Ltd* ([1974] 1 WLR 1624, 1629). In that case the company had expended money on a permanent alteration of land occupied *by it. The company spent* a lump sum and obtained an enduring advantage, static in nature in the sense that it was not the planning permission that produced the profits but the subsequent *mining* of the minerals. Following common sense and authority that was expenditure of a capital and not an income nature.

There was no finding of the commissioners accepting or rejecting the unchallenged evidence of accountancy practice. Lord Cave, in *British Insulated and Helsby Cables Ltd v Atherton* ([1926] AC 205, 213) said that the question whether a sum was in substance a revenue or a capital expenditure was one of fact to be decided by the commissioners, but in *Owen v Southern Railway of Peru Ltd* ((1956) 36 TC 602) Lord Radcliffe refused to give conclusive weight *to a decision by the special commissioners* based on standard accountancy practice. In *Odeon Associated Theatres Ltd v Jones* ([1971] 1 WLR 442) Sir John Pennycuick, *Vice-Chancellor*, explained that what were normal principles of accountancy practice was a question of fact but that the court had to decide whether that practice was correct; subsequent authorities supported that view.

His Lordship was satisfied that correct accountancy practice was a question of law. The expenditure in the present case was really capital expenditure and the accountancy evidence was not sufficient to alter his Lordship's *view. It would not, however,* necessarily be erroneous to debit the cost of obtaining planning permission against revenue in accounts drawn up to comply with the Companies Acts and to show shareholders a divisible profit because it was a different exercise from that which was necessary for the purposes of taxation.

Solicitors: Stephens & Scown, St Austell: Solicitor of Inland Revenue.

Evidence in mitigation

Regina v Cross

Where an accused person and his counsel wish that the accused should give evidence in mitigation, provided that the decision is taken responsibly there is no reason why *he should not* be permitted to do so, Lord Justice Ormrod said in the Court of Appeal. The court allowed an appeal by Anthony Eric Christopher Patrick Cross against a sentence of 18 months' imprisonment imposed at St Albans Crown Court (Judge Anwyl-Davies, QC, and two justices) after he had *pleaded guilty to stealing four* metal ingots from his employers. A probation order for two years was substituted.

HIS LORDSHIP said that *counsel for the appellant had* been anxious to call his client, although it was unusual to do so, because he thought that it would be to his client's advantage. The judge, however, had discouraged it to the point where counsel had to abandon the suggestion.

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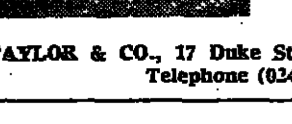
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Applications are invited for the post of DIRECTOR IN THE EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY CENTRE. Candidates should possess a doctorate, have demonstrated administrative ability and have a substantial record of research and publication. Special consideration will be given to those with experience in planning and building media. Appointee will direct the Centre, which is responsible for the University audio-visual services, train junior and senior staff and teach audio-visual courses. One of his major responsibilities will be to consult with members of the University staff on the appropriate design of educational facilities and on the production of effective teaching materials. Salary scale: N7,260-N9,810 p.a. (£5,551-£7,765 p.a. sterling). The British Government may supplement salary in an appropriate case. Family passages; various allowances; superannuation scheme; biennial overseas leave. Detailed applications (two copies), including a curriculum vitae and naming three referees, should be forwarded by airmail, not later than 4 August, 1975, to the Registrar, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, Nigeria. Applicants resident in UK should also send one copy to Inter-University Council, 90-91 Tottenham Court Road, London W1P 0DT. Further particulars may be obtained from either address.

University of Sierra Leone
NJALA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

Applications are invited for the post of

PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY

The appointee will be Head of the Department. Applicants should have a higher degree and considerable teaching experience in a university. Salary scale Le 6,500-Le 7,500 p.a. (£1 sterling equal Le 2). The British Government may supplement salaries by £2,850 p.a. (sterling) for a married appointee or £1,824 p.a. (sterling) for a single appointee (normally free of all tax) and provide children's education allowances and holiday visit passages. These rates are under review, increases of over 15% are expected to be announced shortly and will apply from April 1st, 1975. Family passages and accommodation at reasonable rental; superannuation scheme or gratuity; various allowances; family passages; biennial overseas leave. Detailed applications (two copies), including a curriculum vitae and naming three referees, should be sent by airmail, not later than 8 August, 1975, to the Secretary, University of Sierra Leone, Private Mail Bag, Freetown, Sierra Leone. Applicants resident in UK should also send one copy to Inter-University Council, 90-91 Tottenham Court Road, London, W1P 0DT. Further particulars may be obtained from either address.

Centre for Science Education

CHELSEA COLLEGE,
UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH

Applications are invited for an S.S.R.C. STUDENTSHIP commencing in October, 1975. Candidates must satisfy the S.S.R.C.'s conditions of eligibility and normally should hold (or be expecting to obtain) a first or second class honours degree.
The Centre's research interests are chiefly in the fields of science and mathematics education at all levels, but research is also in progress in educational technology, history of education and the sociological and psychological aspects of education etc.
Applications, including a curriculum vitae, the names of two referees and a brief outline of the candidate's proposed area of research should be sent to Professor K. W. Keohane, Director, Centre for Science Education, Chelsea College, Bridges Place, London SW6 4HR, as soon as possible.

University of Surrey

DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL ENGINEERING

CHAIR IN GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates with extensive academic, industrial and research experience for the newly established Chair in Geotechnical Engineering.
The successful applicant will be in charge of the teaching and research activities of the Geotechnical Engineering Division of the Department of Civil Engineering and will be responsible for the further development of the Division.
The salary will be within the professorial range, depending upon qualifications and experience.
Further particulars may be obtained from the Academic Registrar (LTS), University of Surrey, Guildford, Surrey, GU2 5XH, and to whom applications in the form of a curriculum vitae including the names and addresses of three referees should be sent by 8 August, 1975.

UNIVERSITY APPOINTMENTS

**University of London
King's College**

POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP/ ASSISTANTSHIP

Applications are invited for two postdoctoral research posts, a research fellowship and a research assistantship. The successful applicants will have a Ph.D. or equivalent (1) in Electronics or Electrical Engineering. This research involves the development of tunable low frequency generators and of sensitive measuring devices at these frequencies, (2) in biological sciences and if possible research experience in interactions of electromagnetic radiation with living systems. This research project is to study such effects over a range of electromagnetic frequencies.
The posts are tenable for one year in the first instance starting as soon as possible, and the salaries will be (a) at an appropriate point on the scale £2,118-£3,990 for the research assistant or (b) at a salary not exceeding £4,500 for the research fellow, plus a London Allowance of £350 per annum. U.S.S. contributions will be payable.
Applications by letter, giving curriculum vitae and naming two referees to the Registrar, University of London King's College, Strand, London WC2R 2LS by 21 July or as soon as possible thereafter quoting reference 2 TT.

NIGERIA
Ahmadu Bello University

Applications are invited for the following posts in Department of Crop Protection, Faculty of Agriculture/Institute of Agricultural Research:—
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(ii) SENIOR RESEARCH FELLOWS/RESEARCH FELLOWS/ASSISTANT RESEARCH FELLOWS IN ENTOMOLOGY
(iii) RESEARCH FELLOWS/ ASSISTANT RESEARCH FELLOWS IN PLANT PATHOLOGY
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Detailed applications (2 copies), including a curriculum vitae and naming 3 referees, should be forwarded by airmail no later than 4 August, 1975, to the Registrar, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, Nigeria.
Applicants resident in U.K. should also send 1 copy to Inter-University Council, 90-91 Tottenham Court Road, London W1P 0DT. Further particulars may be obtained from either address.

University of Glasgow

**S.S.R.C. PROFESSORIAL FELLOWSHIP
in
STATISTICS APPLIED TO THE SOCIAL SCIENCES**

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The emolument will be at professorial level. Appropriate Superannuation Scheme will apply.
The date of the appointment is flexible, but it is hoped that it will be not later than 1st October, 1976.
Further particulars may be had from the Secretary of the University Court (Room 13), University of Glasgow, Glasgow G12 8QQ with whom applications (eight copies) giving the names and addresses of three referees, should be lodged on or before 31st July, 1975.
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Further particulars of the appointment may be obtained from the College Secretary, to whom applications (three copies), accompanied by a statement of the candidate's academic record and the names of three referees, should be sent by 15 September, 1975. Short-listed candidates will be interviewed in the later part of October and the appointment may be taken up at a date to be determined between January 1 and October 1, 1976.

University of Glasgow

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SCOTTISH LANGUAGE**

Applications are invited for a Lectureship in English Language with special reference to Scots. Salary will be within the range £2,118 to £4,896 per annum of the Lecturers' scale, with placement according to qualifications and experience. Threshold payments are payable in addition to the above scale. Appropriate Superannuation Scheme will apply.
Further particulars may be had from the Secretary of the University Court (Room 18), University of Glasgow, Glasgow, G12 8QQ, with whom applications (8 copies), giving the names and addresses of three referees should be lodged on or before 25th July, 1975.
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University College Cardiff

Applications are invited for the following vacancy:

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In the Department of Extra Mural Studies.
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UNIVERSITY APPOINTMENTS

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SCHOOL OF
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Applications are invited for an S.R.C. Postdoctoral Research Appointment to work with Dr. A. J. Thomson on the development of efficient blue emitting up-converter phosphors. The investigation will involve the preparation of novel materials containing pairs of dissimilar metal ions. A study is to be made of their luminescent properties and of the rates of energy transfer processes within the lattice. The work involves close collaboration with the Solid State Physics Division of a Government Laboratory currently involved in phosphor research. The appointee will spend a short time working at this Laboratory.
The starting salary will be up to the second point of the A1 scale. Membership of a University Superannuation Scheme is required. The appointment will be for two years from October, 1975.
Persons with backgrounds in either physics or chemistry are encouraged to apply to Dr. A. J. Thomson, School of Chemical Sciences, University of East Anglia, Norwich NR4 7TJ, from whom further details may be obtained.

University of Sussex

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Applications are invited for two posts as Tutors to Phase III Social Work Training Courses planned to start in April, 1976, and leading to the award of CQSW.
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Appropriate academic qualifications in Social Work, and relevant teaching and supervision experience are essential qualifications for these posts. Candidates should indicate which of the posts they are interested in. Application forms and further particulars can be obtained from the Establishment Officer, Sussex House, (Room 206), University of Sussex, Falmer, Brighton, BN1 9RH, to whom completed applications should be returned not later than 1 September, 1975. It is expected that interviews will take place in late September.

University of the West Indies

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Applications are invited for the posts of (a) PROFESSOR/SENIOR LECTURER, and (b) LECTURER/ASSISTANT LECTURER IN SOCIOLOGY. For post (b) preference will be given to applicants whose teaching and research interests lie in General Psychology and Social Psychology. Salary scales: Professor TT$27,636 to TT$34,980 p.a.; Senior Lecturer, TT$18,108 to TT$26,730 p.a.; Lecturer, TT$13,200 to TT$20,904 p.a.; Assistant Lecturer, TT$10,716 to TT$11,748 p.a. (£1 sterling equals TT$4.80). Unfurnished accommodation will be let by the University at a rental of 10% of salary. If however, the staff member provides his own accommodation, he will be paid a housing allowance of 20% of his pensionable salary. Detailed applications (six copies) including a curriculum vitae and naming three referees should be sent as soon as possible to the Secretary, University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, Trinidad. Further particulars for this post will be sent to all applicants.

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STUDENTSHIPS

University of Reading

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

Applications are invited for a 2-year SSRC Studentship tenable at the University of Reading from October 1st 1975. The successful candidate will be expected to work in the general area of international direct investment and the multinational enterprise. Applications should be sent directly to: Professor J. H. Dunning, Economics Department, University of Reading, by 15th July 1975.

University of Nottingham

DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL ENGINEERING

Applications are invited from candidates with a good honours degree for a postgraduate studentship in Civil Engineering. Applications in writing quoting the names of two referees to Professor R. C. Coates, Department of Civil Engineering, University of Nottingham, University Park, Nottingham, not later than 14th July, 1975.

EDUCATIONAL STUDENTSHIPS

CHELSEA COLLEGE
S.R.C. RESEARCH STUDENTSHIPS

The Electronics Department of Chelsea College invites applications from suitably qualified students who are interested in research projects leading to the degree of [illegible] Projects which are available include broadband tuning translator oscillators, [illegible] metric amplifiers, Gunn Avalanche oscillators as well as theoretical studies of [illegible] from microstrip lines and design of filters. [illegible] studentships are available.
The Department also offers a full-time M.Sc. course in Industrial Electronics by [illegible] jointly with King's College London. This course includes the following topics: Systems Theory for Communications and Control, Control systems, Industrial Applications, Network Theory, Discrete Integrated Semiconductor Electronics, Computer Design, Advanced Instrumentation and Measurement, Microwave Circuits, Data and Signal Transmission and Processing.
Further details are available from Mr. C. S. Aitchison, Department of Electronics, Chelsea College, Pulton [illegible], London, SW6 5PR.

University of Nottingham
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY
SSRC RESEARCH STUDENTSHIPS

Applications are invited from graduates in Sociology and those graduating this year who wish to be considered for SSRC studentships. The studentships are tenable for [illegible] years from October 1975 with a possible extension for a further year. Those holding the awards will read for M.Phil. or Ph.D. research degrees. Interests of the department include industrial sociology; sociology of education; race and [illegible] studies; sociological [illegible]; political sociology; sociology of developing countries; sociology of science; deviance; European studies.
Forms of application and further details may be obtained from the Tutor for Graduate Admissions, Department of Sociology, University of Nottingham, Nottingham [illegible] 2RD.

University of Nottingham
DEPARTMENTS OF CHEMISTRY AND MECHANICAL ENGINEERING
S.R.C. CASE AWARD

Applications are invited for an S.R.C. Postgraduate Studentship to work under the supervision of Drs. D. [illegible] and R. B. Cundall [illegible] Ph.D. degree on dynamic chemical kinetic studies of flames. The work is a collaborative project involving Professor B. D. Edwards, Combustion Research Department, Derby Engine Division, Rolls-Royce Ltd., and the Departments of Chemistry and Mechanical Engineering.
Candidates should have a first or upper second class honours degree, or equivalent, in engineering, physics, chemistry. Further details may be obtained from Dr. R. B. Cundall, Department of Chemistry, University of Nottingham, NG7 2RD. Telephone No. 0602 56101.

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SCHOLARSHIP

University of Nottingham
POST-DOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP
IN ORGANIC CHEMISTRY

Applications are invited for the above SRC Fellowship. Appointment will be for [illegible] years with effect from [illegible] 1975, and will be on the [illegible] scale £2,118-[illegible] plus threshold payment (under review).
The successful candidate will work in the field of [illegible] type organic synthesis [illegible] chalasans and analogues in collaboration with Dr. [illegible] Jones.
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ELECTIONS OF CERTAIN DISTRICT MEMBERS 1975

The Potato Marketing Board announce that, in accordance with paragraph 11(5) of the Potato Marketing Scheme, as amended, elections of certain District Members will be held on Monday [illegible] October, 1975. Under the Scheme, the Board's electoral districts are deemed still to consist of the counties as they were prior to 1st April, 1974. The Districts concerned on the occasion of this year's elections, therefore, are as defined in the second column below:

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West Midland	Cheshire Shropshire Staffordshire Warwickshire Worcestershire Gloucestershire Herefordshire	2	Mrs. R. H. Barnes Mr. P. K. Crow
North-East Scotland	Aberdeenshire Kincardineshire Angus Perthshire	2	Mr. A. J. Blackhal[illegible] Mr. D. B. Sinclair

Nominations of candidates and deposits of £20 in respect of each must be lodged with the Potato Marketing Board, Broad Field House, 4 Between Towns Road, Cowley, Oxford OX4 3NA, not later than 6 p.m. on Monday, 22nd September, 1975.

Qualifications for nomination and conditions which must be fulfilled are set out in the Potato Marketing Scheme, 1955, as amended to 1st May, 1963 and 10th May, 1971. Copies of the Scheme may be obtained from Her Majesty's Stationery Office or through any bookseller.

Members elected on 27th October will assume office from [illegible] October, 1975 for a period of three years.

A. J. D. HO[illegible]
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Broad Field House, 4 Between Towns Road, Cowley, [illegible] OX4 3NA.
1st July, 1975.

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LEGAL NOTICES

No. 002215 of 1975.
In the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE Chancery Division Companies Court In the Matter of READY CONSTRUCTION COMPANY Limited and In the Matter of The Companies Act, 1948.

Notice is hereby given, that a PETITION for the WINDING UP of the above-named Company by the High Court of Justice was on the 27th day of June, 1975, presented to the said Court by Acrow (Engineers) Limited, whose registered office is at 8 South Wharf, W.2, in the City of Westminster, Engineers, and that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the Court sitting at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London, WC2A 2LL on the 28th day of July, 1975, and any creditor or contributory of the said Company desirous to support or oppose the making of an Order on the said Petition may appear at the time of hearing, in person or by his counsel, for that purpose; and a copy of the Petition will be furnished by the undersigned to any creditor or contributory of the said Company requiring such copy on payment of the regulated charge for the same.

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NOTE.—Any person who intends to appear on the hearing of the said Petition must serve on, or send by post to, the above-named notice in writing of his intention so to do. The notice must state the name and address of the person, or, if a firm, the name and address of the firm and must be signed by the person or firm, or his or their Solicitor (if any), and must be served or, if posted, must be sent by post in sufficient time to reach the above-named not later than four o'clock in the afternoon of the 25th day of July, 1975.

In the Matter of WHO (WEMBLEY) Limited and in the Matter of the Companies Act 1948

Notice is hereby given that the CREDITORS of the above-named Company, which is being voluntarily wound up, are required, on or before the 1st day of August, 1975, to send in their full Christian and surnames, their addresses and descriptions, full particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any), to the undersigned Philip Moniack F.C.A. of 13, Wimpole Street, London, W1M 8JL the Liquidator of the said Company, and, if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are, personally or by their Solicitors, to come in and prove their debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

Dated this 27th day of June, 1975.

P. MONJACK

THE COMPANIES ACTS 1951 TO 1961 Extraordinary Resolution of F. D. LOWEY & Sons Limited.

At an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company, duly convened and held at the Villiers Hotel, Douglas, Isle of Man on the 24th day of June 1975, the subjoined Extraordinary Resolution was duly passed, viz.:—

"That it has been proved to the satisfaction of this Meeting that the Company cannot, by reason of its liabilities, continue its business, and that it is advisable to wind up the same, and accordingly that the Company be wound up voluntarily, and that Mr. JOHN H. BROWN of Harley Buildings, 11 Old Hall Street, Liverpool L3 9EB Registered Accountant, be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purpose of such winding up."

B. M. Lowey Director

LEGAL NOTICES

No. 002918 of 1974
In the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE Chancery Division Companies Court Mr Justice Dearbergh Wednesday the 9th day of April 1975 In the Matter of HAIR AND BEAUTY PUBLICATIONS Limited and In the Matter of The Companies Act 1948.

UPON THE APPLICATION by Summons dated the 3rd April 1975 of the Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator of the above named Company.

AND UPON HEARING the Applicant in person.

AND UPON READING the Order to wind up the said Company dated the 20th January 1975 the two Reports of the Official Receiver as to the results of the Meetings of Creditors and Contributories of the said Company made to the Court and both filed the 3rd April 1975 and the Affidavit of Michael Treanor (as to the fitness of the Liquidator hereinafter appointed) filed the 8th April 1975.

IT IS ORDERED that John Stanley Flavell of 83a Western Road Hove in the County of Sussex Chartered Accountant be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator of the above named Company.

AND IT IS ORDERED that the following persons be and they are hereby appointed a Committee of Inspection to act with the Liquidator of the above named Company namely:

JEFFREY JAMES PREECE of 81-87 High Holborn London WC1 a partner in the firm of Frank Smith & Co of the same address and

PETER JAMES of Bulls Road, Southwick Sussex aforesaid holding a general Power of Attorney from Wyndeham Press Limited of the same address. Both Creditors of the said Company.

AND IT IS ORDERED that the said Liquidator do within 7 days from the date of this Order give security to the satisfaction of the Secretary of State for Trade as provided by the Companies (Winding-Up) Rules 1949.

G. DEARBERGH Registrar

No. 002021 of 1975
In the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE Chancery Division Companies Court In the Matter of DRUMMOND HOMES Limited and In the Matter of the Companies Act, 1948

Notice is hereby given, that a PETITION for the WINDING UP of the above-named Company by the High Court of Justice was on the 13th day of June 1975, presented to the said Court by Dennis & Robinson Limited, whose registered office is situated at Churchill Industrial Estate, Lancing, Sussex, Fitted Furniture Manufacturers, and that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the Court sitting at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London, WC2A 2LL on the 14th day of July 1975, and any creditor or contributory of the said Company desirous to support or oppose the making of an Order on the said Petition may appear at the time of hearing, in person or by his counsel, for that purpose; and a copy of the Petition will be furnished by the undersigned to any creditor or contributory of the said Company requiring such copy on payment of the regulated charge for the same.

HERBERT OPPENHEIMER, NATHAN & VANDYK, 20, Copthall Avenue, London Wall, London EC2. Solicitors for the Petitioner.

NOTE.—Any person who intends to appear on the hearing of the said Petition must serve on, or send by post to, the above-named notice in writing of his intention so to do. The notice must state the name and address of the person, or, if a firm, the name and address of the firm and must be signed by the person or firm, or his or their solicitor (if any) and must be served, or, if posted, must be sent by post in sufficient time to reach the above-named not later than four o'clock in the afternoon of the 11th day of July 1975.

In the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE Chancery Division Companies Court In the Matter of ALBAMILL Limited and In the Matter of the Companies Act 1948.

Notice is hereby given that a PETITION for the WINDING UP of the above-named Company by the High Court of Justice was on the 11th day of June 1975 presented to the said Court by A. R. Taylor & Co. Limited, whose registered office is as Wroxham, Norfolk, and that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the Court sitting at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London WC2A 2LL, on the 14th day of July 1975, and any creditor or contributory of the said Company desirous to support or oppose the making of an Order on the said Petition may appear at the time of hearing in person or by his Counsel for that purpose; and a copy of the Petition will be furnished by the undersigned to any creditor or contributory of the said Company requiring such copy on payment of the regulated charge for the same.

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THE COMPANIES ACTS 1951 TO 1961 Extraordinary Resolution of SAVEWELL CASH & CARRY (I.O.M.) Limited.

At an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above named Company, duly convened and held at The Villiers Hotel, Douglas, Isle of Man, on the 24th day of June 1975, the subjoined Extraordinary Resolution was duly passed, viz.:—

"That it has been proved to the satisfaction of this Meeting that the Company cannot, by reason of its liabilities, continue its business, and that it is advisable to wind up the same, and accordingly that the Company be wound up voluntarily, and that Mr. JOHN H. BROWN of Harley Buildings, 11 Old Hall Street, Liverpool L3 9EB Registered Accountant, be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purpose of such winding up."

F. KELLY Director

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A. R. M. SIMMONS, Liquidator.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF LIQUIDATOR IN THE MATTER OF INNSCOURT LIMITED.

By the Order of the High Court of Justice, Chancery Division dated 22nd January, 1975, GORDON ALAN COOMBS of Southernhay House, 36 Southernhay East, Exeter, has been APPOINTED LIQUIDATOR of the above named Company.

Dated this 26th day of June, 1975.

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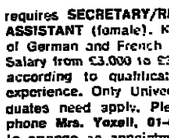
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BBC 1

...am-1.00 pm, Cricket: ...tershire v Hampshire. News. 1.30-1.45, Camberwick Green. 1.55, Wimbledon Tennis Championships. Play School. 4.50, Z-Shed. ...ao, African Prince. 5.40, ...n Pugwash.

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...pm, Thames. 1.20, West ... 1.25, Wales Headlines. Thames. 2.00, Houseparty. Thames. 5.20, Orbit 5. 5.25, ...ds. 5.50, News. 6.01, West. 6.15, Report Wales. ...uckoo in the Nest. 7.00. 8.30, Police Story. 9.30, 11.30, Gilbert and Sullivan Trial by Jury. 12.35 am. HTV CYMRU/WALES.—...as HTV except: 1.20-1.25 pm, ...Newyddion Y Dydd. ...Miri Mawr. 4.35-4.50, Miri ... 6.01-6.15, Y Dydd. HTV ...—As HTV except: 1.20-1.30 ...est Headlines. 6.15-6.30, West.

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...m, Yoga for Health. 11.50, ... 12.15 pm, Around the World in 80 Days. 12.38, Gus ... 12.40, Thames. 1.20, ...d News Headlines. 1.30, ... 5.20, Elephant Boy. 5.50, ...00, Westward Diary. 6.35, 8.30, Barnaby Jones. 9.30, 11.30, Westward News. Faith for Life.

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...m, ATV. 12.40 pm, Thames. Anglia News. 1.30, Thames. Houseparty. 2.30, Thames. ...Music. 5.50, News. 6.00, Anglia. 6.35, Thames. 8.00, ...Game. 9.30, Thames. The Big Question.

BBC 2

10.35 am, Nai Zindagi Naya Jeevan. 11.00-11.25, Play School. 1.40 pm, Cricket: Leicestershire v Hampshire. 4.15, Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships, and Cricket.

7.30 Newsday.
7.45 The Master Game: Chess knockout competition.
8.10 The Ascent of Man, by J. Bronowski: Part 5, Music of the Spheres.
9.00 The Poisoning of Charles Bravo: Public Exposure, with Maureen O'Brien, Freda Dowie, Paul Darrow, Robert Harris.
10.20 March of the Day from Wimbledon.
11.10 News.
11.29-11.30, Gwen Watford reads The Romanies in Town, by Anne Beresford.

Yorkshire

12.40 pm, Thames. 1.20, Calendar News. 1.30, Thames. 5.20, Out of Town. 5.50, News. 6.00, Calendar. 6.35, Thames. 8.30, Tommy Cooper. 9.30, Thames. 11.30-12.00, Look Ahead.

Border

11.45 am, ATV. 12.45 pm, Thames. 1.25, Border News. 1.30, About Britain. 2.00, Houseparty. 2.30, Thames. 5.20, Circus. 5.50, News. 6.00, Border News. 6.35, Thames. 8.30, Marcus Welby, MD. 9.30, Thames. 11.30, The Adventurer. 12.00, Border News Summary.

Grampian

11.54 am, ATV. 12.35 pm, Grampian News Headlines. 12.40, Thames. 1.20, Lunchtime Call. 1.30, Thames. 5.20, Out of Town. 5.50, News. 6.00, Grampian News. 6.10, Farming News. 6.15, Love American Style. 6.35, Thames. 8.30, ATV. 9.25, Police News. 9.30, Thames. 11.30, Orson Welles Great Mysteries. 12.00, Prayers.

Tyne Tees

12.40 pm, Starting Point. 12.45, Thames. 2.00, Women Only. 2.30, Thames. 5.20, Woody Woodpecker. 5.50, News. 6.00, Today. 6.35, Thames. 8.30, Tommy Cooper. 9.30, Thames. 11.30, News. 11.35, Epilogue.

Scottish

11.45 am, ATV. 12.40 pm, Thames. 1.25, Road Report. 1.30, Thames. 5.20, Kiri. 5.25, Crossroads. 5.50, News. 6.00, Scottish News. 6.05, Isobel on Wednesday. 7.00, Thames. 8.30, The Collaborators. 9.30, Thames. 11.30, Late Call. 11.35-12.05 am, At Your Request.

Ulster

12.40 pm, Thames. 1.20, Ulster News Headlines. 1.30, Thames. 5.20, Inner Space. 5.50, News. 6.00, Summer Reports. 6.35, Thames. 8.30, Griff. 9.30, Thames. 11.30-12.00, The World of Model Railways.

Thames

10.45 am, Film: Sail a Crooked Ship, with Robert Wagner, Dolores Hart, Ernie Kovacs, Carolyn Jones.* 12.05 pm, Yoga for Health. 12.30, Yak. 12.40, Rainbow. 1.00, News. 1.20, Lunchtime Today. 1.30, Mr and Mrs. 2.00, Good Afternoon. 2.30, The Royal Show. 4.25, Michael Bentine. 4.50, You Must be Joking! 5.20, The Brady Bunch.

5.50 News.
6.00 A Town Called Harlow.
6.35 Crossroads.
7.00 Don't Ask Mee.
7.30 Coronation Street.
8.00 And Mother Makes Five.
8.30 Marcus Welby, MD.
9.30 Rising Damp.
10.00 News.
10.30 Second Night: It Only Hurts for a Minute.
11.30 Miss Mactaggart Won't Lie Down, with Barbara Mullen, Pat Mason, Andrew Downie.
12.00, Bone of Contention: Hugh Montefiore, Bishop of Kingston, and Canon David Stevens on remarriage after divorce.

ATV

11.45 am, The Royal Show. 12.40 pm, Thames. 1.20, Lunchtime Newsdesk. 1.30, Thames. 5.20, ATV Today. 5.50, News. 6.00, ATV Today. 6.35, Thames. 8.30, Kung Fu. 9.30, Thames. 11.30, Twilight Zone.* 12.00, The Gospel in Song.

Southern

11.00 am, Yoga for Health. 11.20, Porky Pig. 11.30, Hammy Hamster. 11.45, ATV. 12.40 pm, Thames. 1.20, Southern News. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Houseparty. 2.30, Thames. 5.20, Dodo. 5.25, Crossroads. 5.50, News. 6.00, Day by Day. 7.00, Thames. 8.30, The World of Television. 9.00, Hawaii Five-O. 10.00, Thames. 11.30, Southern News. 11.40, Orson Welles Great Mysteries. 12.10 am, Weather. Guideline.

Granada

10.30 am, Sesame Street. 11.25, The Three Stooges.* 11.45, ATV. 12.40 pm, Thames. 1.20, This is Your Right. 1.30, Thames. 5.15, Gustavus. 5.20, Crossroads. 5.50, News. 6.00, Granada Reports. 6.30, Firehouse. 7.00, Thames. 8.30, The Collaborators. 9.30, Thames. 11.30-12.30 am, The Baron.

Radio

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6.00 am, News. Simon Bates. 7.00, Noel Edmonds. 9.00, Tony Blackburn. 12.00, Johnnie Walker. 2.02 pm, David Hamilton. 5.00, Newsbeat. 5.15, Anne Nightingale. 7.02, Lucky 15! 7.32, How the West was Sung.† 8.02, Country Club.† 10.02, Sports Desk. 10.05, Joan Challis. 12.00, News. 12.05 am, Jean Challis. 12.31, News. † Stereo.

2

6.00 am, Radio 1. 7.02, Terry Wogan. (8.27, Racing Bulletin.) 9.02, Pete Murray. (10.30, Waggoners' Walk.) 11.30, Jimmy Young.† 2.02 pm, Wimbledon '75 (1,500m only). 2.02, Waggoners' Walk. 5.17-7.00, Sam Costa. (5.17-7.00 (1,500m only), Wimbledon '75.) 7.00-12.33 am, Radio 1.

3

7.00 am, News. 7.05, Your Midweek Choice: Rossini, Cherubini, Vranicky.† 8.00, News. 8.05, Your Midweek Choice: Part 2, Saint-Saëns, Franck.† 9.00, News. 9.05, Mendelssohn.† 9.45, Organ recital: Alfred Hollins, Parry, Basil Harwood.† 10.25, Concert: Fauré.† 11.30, Byrd: St Clement Danes Chorale.† 12.15 pm, Academy of the BBC: Boyce and Mozart.† 1.00, News. 1.05, Concert: Part 2, Vivaldi and Mozart.† 2.00, Piano recital: Bach-Busoni, Patrick Piggott, Brahms.† 2.50, New Records: John Blow and Elgar.† 3.55, Schubert Quartets.† 5.00, Choral Evensong, from St George's Church, Hanover Square, London. 5.45, Homeward Bound.† 6.05, News. 6.10, Homeward Bound (continued).† 6.30, Vient de Paraître. 7.00, Euromagazine. 7.30, La Bohème: opera by Puccini, Acts 1 and 2.† 8.25, The Arts Worldwide. 8.40, La Bohème: Acts 3 and 4. 9.45, Scientifically Speaking. 10.30, Xenakis: Anaktoria.† 10.45, John Wilbye, madrigals.† 11.25-11.30, News.

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6.20 am, News. 6.22, Farming. 6.40, Prayer. 6.45, Today. 7.00, News. 7.27, Sportsdesk. 7.35, Today's Papers. 7.45, Thought for the Day. 7.55, Weather. 8.30, Yesterday in Parliament. 9.00, News. 9.05, The Living World. 9.35, Frank Muir Goes into ... Lust. 10.00, News. 10.05, In Britain Now. 10.30, Service. 10.45, Story. 11.00, News. 11.05, Round Britain Quiz. 11.30, Play: Blodwin and the Crock of Gold. 12.00, News. 12.02 pm, You and Yours. 12.27, Brain of Britain 1975. 12.55, Weather. 1.00, The World at One. 1.30, The Archers. 1.45, Woman's Hour. 2.45, Listen with Mother. 3.00, News. 3.05, Play: The Three Loves of Ida Bliss. 4.00, News. 4.05, Will the Real Fanny Cradock Please Stand Up? 4.35, Story Time: Before Your Very Eyes. 5.00, PM Reports. 5.55, Weather. 6.00, News. 6.15, Twenty Questions. 6.45, The Archers. 7.00, News Desk. 7.30, What Ho, Jeeves (new series). 8.15, I That Am Born a King: The Private Life of George III. 9.15, Artistic Licence, recordings from BBC Sound Archives. 9.30, Kaleidoscope. 9.59, Weather. 10.00, The World Tonight. 10.45, A Book at Bedtime: The Mysterious Commission. 11.00, The Financial World Tonight. 11.15, Today in Parliament. 11.45, News. 12.00-12.09 am, Inshore forecast.

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BIRTHS

BAKER.—On 20th June, 1975, to Anne and Michael Baker of Owlcits, Cobham, Kent, now c/o Monasi, Ave. Presidente Vargas, 322-12 andar, Centro, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil—a daughter (Camilla Elizabeth).

FRY.—On June 30th to Jane (nee Vigers) and Charles, at the Westminster Hospital—a son and a daughter.

GOSLING.—On July 1st, 1975, at Colchester Maternity Hospital, to Juliet (nee Stanton) and Christopher—a son (Alexander Edward Spencer).

HAVILAND.—On June 30th, at P.M., R.A.F. Halton, to Joan and Christopher Haviland—a daughter, sister for Philip and Adrian.

HEAPS.—On June 28th, to Ann (nee Mays) and Chris Heaps—a daughter (Elizabeth Ann).

KNOWLES.—On 21st June to Vivien and Peter (Deborah Andrea and Vanessa Karen), beautiful twin sisters for Sasha and Katie.

PHILIPSON.—On June 30th, at Pembury Hospital to Caroline (nee Wagstaff) and Charles Philipson—a son (Alexander James), a brother for Lucinda.

SALMON.—On June 27th, to Sarah and Michael—a son (Christopher).

SALTMARSH.—On June 30th to Vicki (nee Cawdron) and Henry Saltmarsh—a daughter (Anna Cordelia), a sister for Nicholas.

SHIELDS.—On July 1st, to Elizabeth (nee Kinross) and Frank Cox Shields—a son (Oliver), a brother for Henrietta.

SMITH.—On June 21st, to Rosie (nee Cheshire) and Mike Smith—a son (Graham).

SPENCER.—On 30th June, at the Royal Gwent Hospital, Newport, to Jane (nee Mildred) and Andrew Spencer—a daughter (Helen Clare), a sister for James.

STANTON.—On June 30th to Julia (nee Osborn-King) and Anthony—a son, Henry John Arthur.

TOWERS.—On June 30th, to Carol (nee Sim) and Michael, at Queen Charlotte's—a son (William Hugh).

VERNON.—On June 28th, at St. Teresa's Hospital, Wimbledon, to Lisbeth and James Vernon—a son.

BIRTHDAYS

WISHING OUR DAUGHTER, Julia Heptinstall, a happy 21st.

MARRIAGES

CAIRNS : FORBES.—On 1st July, 1975, at King's College Chapel, by the bridegroom's father, John Alexander, son of the Rev. Professor and Mrs. David Cairns, 1 St. Swithin St., Aberdeen, to Jane Gordon, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Forbes, 58 Beaconsfield Place, Aberdeen.

DEATHS

BARRETT.—On Thursday, June 26th, 1975, suddenly at home, Harold Edwin Barrett, of Kingston, former Town Clerk of New Malden. Private cremation at Putney Vale, today, July 2nd, at 2.30 p.m.

BOAS de WINTER.—On June 28th, peacefully at her home, Sophie, widow of the late William Simon Boas, beloved mother of Mary Rawlings and grandmother of Patricia. Cremation private.

BOULTBEE.—On 30 June, 1975, Walter Richard Pownall, Lieut.-Colonel Royal Marines (retired), at 62 Scotts Lane, Bromley, Kent, aged 88, peacefully, in his sleep.

BROWN.—On July 1st, 1975, peacefully, in a nursing home, Henry Edgar Brown, aged 86 years, of 15 Croftway, Sevenoaks, Kent. Loving father of Olive. Funeral at Tunbridge Wells Crematorium on Friday, 4th July, at 10.30 a.m. Enquiries W. Hodges and Co., Sevenoaks 54457.

BRUNTISFIELD.—On 1st July, 1975, in her 77th year, Dorothy Lady Bruntisfield, younger daughter of the late Colonel R. H. Rawson, M.P., and Lady Beatrice Rawson. Private funeral service on Thursday, July 3rd. Family flowers only. A memorial service will be arranged later in London.

BURDETT.—On June 27th, in Salisbury, Rhodesia, Don Burdett, broadcaster and entertainer, after a long illness bravely endured.

COLLINGWOOD.—On 29 June, suddenly at 60 Strand-on-the-Green, William Robert Collingwood, O.B.E., beloved husband of Vera and father of Robert. Funeral service on Friday 11th July at 11.30, St. Anne's, Kew Green, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only.

COLTER.—On Friday, June 27, 1975, at Bath, Henry John, beloved husband of the late Margaret and father of Andrew and Penny. Requiem Mass at Our Lady's Church, Norton St. Philip, Wednesday, at 2 p.m., followed by interment at St. Lawrence Church Road.

CORNWELL.—On June 29th, very suddenly, at Middle Lodge, Shottesbrooke, Maidenhead, Ronald, dearly loved and loving husband of Joy and father of Charlotte, Tony, David and Rupert. Cremation private. Funeral at 2 p.m. on Saturday, 5th July, at Parkstone Baptist Church, Lock Road, Parkstone, Dorset. No flowers please, but donations to Imperial Cancer Research Fund. Memorial Service at St. James, Piccadilly, Friday, 18th July, at 12 noon.

CUNNINGHAM, FRANCES CLUNIE, widow of R. T. Cunningham, on June 30th, at Spring Valley, Kelsall. Funeral private.

DUGGAN.—On June 30th, at his home, 58 Manor Drive, London, N20 0DU, peacefully in his sleep after a long illness, cheerfully borne, Frederick Gerard Duggan, O.B.E., J.M.N., B.E. (N.U.I.), F.I.C.E., M.I.H.E., XP.WD., Malaya, to the heartfelt sorrow of his wife, Brenda, children, Deirdre, Gerrard and Derrick, family and many friends. Requiem Mass at St. Mary Magdalen, Whetstone, N.20, at 9.30 on Friday, 4th July, followed by cremation at Golders Green Crematorium, West Chapel. Enquiries to Seawards, 158 High Road, New Southgate, N.11. 368 5544.

ELLIS.—On 30th June, 1975, peacefully in hospital after a sudden illness, Winifred Amy, aged 7[illegible], of 64 Plough Lane, Purley, Surrey, the beloved wife of Bernard George Ellis, G.C., and much loved mother of Janet and Roger. Funeral service at St. Mark's Church, Purley, on Friday, July 4th, at 12.15 p.m., followed by cremation.

HASTINGS.—On 30th June, at her own home, Flora, younger daughter of the late Sir George and Lady Hastings, of The Albany, Piccadilly. Funeral in Norfolk.

HATTON.—On June 30, 1975, peacefully, aged 92 years, William Howard Branton, dear husband of Margaret, at Broome House, Clent, Worcester. Funeral service and interment at Broome Church, at 2.30 p.m. on Friday, July 4th. Family flowers only.

HORWITZ.—On June 30th, 1975, Charles Horwitz, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., 15, Caledonian Road, N.1, in his 90th year. No flowers by request.

HOUGHTON, HAROLD, C.B.E.—On June 29th, in hospital, loved and loving husband of Era and devoted father to Christopher. Cremation private. Please, no flowers.

LUSON.—On 30th June, 1975, in hospital, Jack Wilfred Luson, dear husband of Isobel, and father of Peter. Cremation at Mortlake Crematorium on Friday, 4th July, at 12.20 p.m. Flowers to T. H. Sanders and Sons Ltd., 28-30 Kew Road, Richmond, Surrey.

MAYNE.—On June 30th, 1975, peacefully at her home in Alresford, Hampshire, after a long illness, nobly borne, Anne Loveday, beloved wife of Edward Mayne and much loved mother and grandmother. Cremation private. No flowers, please, but donations if desired to Cancer Relief, c/o Mr. H. W. Pearce, 6 Milverton Road, Winchester.

MEYER.—On June 30th, peacefully at her home, 7 Culverden Park, Tunbridge Wells, Mary Colvin Meyer. No flowers. Funeral at Tunbridge Wells Crematorium, on Tuesday, July 8th, at 11 a.m.

REYNOLDS.—On June 30th, 1975, peacefully in hospital, Horace Reynolds, of 37 Heathfield Close, Potters Bar, former Managing Director of Luzac and Co., recently with Kegan Paul. Funeral on Monday, July 7th, 10.30 a.m., Christchurch, Little Heath, Potters Bar, followed by private cremation. Flowers may be sent to C. A. Nethercott & Son Ltd., 130 Darkes Lane, Potters Bar, by 9.15 a.m.

SANDEMAN.—On June 30th, at Barrow, The Rev. Austin Michael Sandeman, O.S.B., Monk of Ampleforth, aged 69. Requiem Mass at Workington R.C. Church on Monday, July 7th, at 11 a.m. Interment at Warwick Bridge, 3 p.m.

SHARPE.—On June 28, suddenly, of a heart attack at Bosley in Cheshire, John Herbert Howard Sharpe, of 163 Sheen Rd., Richmond, Surrey, and of Motor Vessel Jamel. Cremation at Mortlake, probably on Friday, 4th July.

STYDELL.—On Saturday 28th June, suddenly, Henry William beloved father of Dorothy. Service at Putney Vale Crematorium on Thursday, 3rd July at 11 a.m.

SUTCLIFFE.—On July 1st, 1975, John Earnshaw Sutcliffe, beloved husband of Claire and father of John and Jennifer. Funeral private, family flowers only. Donations if desired to Imperial Cancer Research Fund, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London.

TOPLISS.—On 29th June, 1975, suddenly, W. A. Topliss (Bill), Principal of Hannaford and Co., loved husband of Marjorie. Cremation, Tunbridge Wells, Friday, 4th July, at 11.30 a.m.

VICARY.—On 30th June, 1975, Colonel Alexander Craven, C.B., D.S.O. and Bar, M.C., late of the Gloucester Regiment, peacefully, at Scorhill, Gidleigh, Chagford, aged 87, father of Margaret Alice, Kathleen Madgwick.

DEATHS

VICARY.—On 30 June, 1975, at his home, "Scorhill," Gidleigh, Chagford, Devon, Colonel Alexander Craven Vicary, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., aged 87. Father of Peggy Madgwick. Cremation private.

IN MEMORIAM

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ALLEN.—EDWARD LLEWELLYN LYLE ALLEN otherwise EDWARD ALLEN, late of 5 Cowen House, Barnfield Gardens, Plumstead, London, S.E.18, died at Plumstead, on 6th January, 1975 (estate about £2,740).

BENNETT.—ALFRED GEORGE BENNETT, late of 8 Tregothnan Road, London, S.W.9, died there on 8th May, 1974 (estate about £2,000).

DRAKE nee ASSER.—EDITH VIOLET FANNY DRAKE otherwise EDITH VIOLET FRANCES DRAKE nee ASSER, widow, late of 9 West Street, Wivenhoe, Essex, died in Colchester, Essex, on 31st October, 1974 (estate about £4,000).

JOHNSON nee SMITH.—OLIVE KATE JOHNSON nee SMITH, widow, late of 47 York Street, Cambridge, died in Cambridge on 19th November, 1974 (estate about £5,000).

LEVER formerly WHEELDON nee SMITH, BEATRICE LEVER formerly WHEELDON nee SMITH, widow, late of 50 Sackville Street, Basford, Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire, died at Stoke-on-Trent, on 27th February, 1975 (estate about £3,800).

MARTIN.—EDWARD MARTIN, late of Hilltop, Tunbury [illegible], Chatham, Kent, was found dead there on 3rd July, 1973 (estate about £3,500).

MURPHY.—MARY MURPHY, spinster, late of 71 Kingsdown Avenue, West Ealing, London, W.13, died there on 26th February, 1974 (estate about £5,000).

PAGE.—OWEN WILLIAM HARFIELD PAGE, late of 1551A, Bristol Road South, Rubery, Birmingham 31, died there on 22nd November, 1974 (estate about £3,900).

SQUIRES.—WILLIAM ROBERT SQUIRES, late of 39 Lansdowne Court, Brighton Road, Purley, Surrey, died at Warlingham, Surrey, on 9th July, 1974 (estate about £4,400).

The kin of the above-named are requested to apply to the Treasury Solicitor (B.V.), 35 Old Queen Street, Westminster, London, S.W.1, failing which the Treasury Solicitor may take steps to administer the estate.

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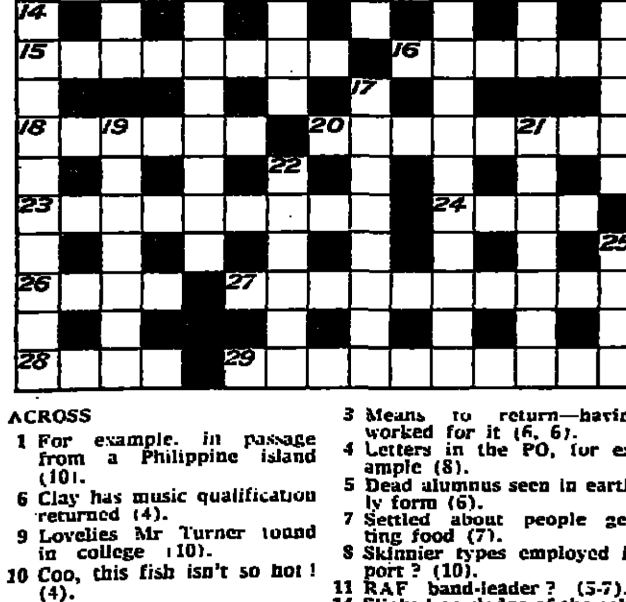
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ACROSS

1 For example, in passage from a Philippine island (10).
6 Clay has music qualification returned (4).
9 Lovelies Mr Turner found in college (10).
10 Coo, this fish isn't so hot ! (4).
12 Keenness shown by Dowson and Eliot initially (4).
13 Cut off in training round parts of Crete (9).
15 Steward McAlpine replaced (8).
16 Club is quiet, so to speak (6).
18 Nectar cocktail produces ecstasy (6).
20 Friendly drink includes mineral and bottle-opener (8).
23 The Café de Paris ? perhaps ? (9).
24 Boat with cargo—a very little one ? (4).
26 " Makes us rather bear those —— we have " (*Hamlet*) (4).
27 Sex gene producing a criminal (10).
28 Note lowered fare by entrance (4).
29 Moderate supply of beer, so Alan distributed (10).

DOWN

1 Patient carrier ? (4).
2 Month with no daily board meeting (7).
3 Means to return—having worked for it (6, 6).
4 Letters in the PO, for example (8).
5 Dead alumnus seen in earthly form (6).
7 Settled about people getting food (7).
8 Skinnier types employed in port ? (10).
11 RAF band-leader ? (5-7).
14 Slight knowledge of the self-starter being of importance ? (10)
17 Suppresses script turning up with the rest (8).
19 Lady's first appearance in an ermine, chez Elaine (7).
21 Where the hands go for the present (4-3).
22 Occupant meant to be out after one (6).
25 Diner seems content with tongue (4).

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